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# JAPANESE SHATTER LINGSHIN LINES

## CHINESE ARMIES' NATURAL ROAD OF RETREAT CUT

### Disorganised Forces Marching Westward To Rallying Point

Peiping, Mar. 1.

Pounded by planes and artillery, the Chinese front line at Lingshin has broken completely, and the Japanese yesterday were pouring through the pass, occupying Hwochow yesterday evening. Meanwhile a Japanese column from Luanfu yesterday occupied Pingyang, 45 miles south of Hwochow, thus cutting off the natural line of retreat.

As a result, large masses of disorganised Chinese troops have been turned and are now heading westward towards the Yellow River in Shansi province.

It appears that no serious Chinese resistance is likely now until the Japanese reach the Yellow River, in the south-west corner of Shansi.—*Reuter.*

### Rushing Reorganisation Of Air Force Units

Hankow, March 1.

In a recent editorial the Chinese Army's official organ, the Sun Tung Pao, forebodes the oncoming and reorganisation of the Chinese air force. It is reliably stated that the Air Ministry will undertake the task. The effect of Chinese air raids on the war fronts undoubtedly increases the effectiveness of the Chinese defenses.

### Japanese Advance Doubtful

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

Further headway has been made by Japanese columns in their attempt to encircle 250,000 Chinese troops, according to the Japanese reported to be in occupation of South Shansi.

Besides advances to the south, Japanese despatches claim that a column of Japanese troops reached a point of the Yellow River, west of Taiyuan.

Despite official Japanese claims that Chinese resistance in the southern section of the Tientsin-Pukow railway had collapsed, the Japanese do not appear to be making headway north of Pengpu, and their present operations in this area are confined to beating off Chinese guerrilla forces.

According to Chinese reports, the Japanese have sent heavy reinforcements to Pengpu in an attempt to break the deadlock.—*Reuter.*

### Casualties "Only" 500,000

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

"Our casualties are only half a million, which is comparatively (Continued on Page 4.)"

### Shanghai Foreigners Threatened

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

The Briton, Mr. H. M. Cumine and the American, Mr. Hal P. Mills, received further threatening letters yesterday. The letter to Mr. Mills asked for a "loan" of \$30,000, "otherwise we shall have to borrow your head".

Mr. Cumine received three letters, one of which contained three rows of seven red circles, and another asking him to expect a 200 lb. bomb. The third letter, which also contained a threat against his life, had a Japanese flag drawn on it, and the word "Bomba"—*Reuter.*

### DESPERATE WARFARE IN NORTH

Refugees Swarming Westward Along Lunghai Road

(BY JAMES BELDEN)

Tungkwang, March 1.

The westward movement of General Sung Cheh-yuen's army has now reached Hsianan, 20 miles west of Loyang, and already portions of the army have reached the southern side of the Yellow River and are moving along the Lunghai railway. They must leave an entrance to Shansi a most open and a way for the Japanese to strike at General Wei Li-huang's rear.

Meanwhile, Chinese refugees have commenced a wholesale westward trek to Sian and the Lunghai railway is jammed with Peiping-Hankow railway and Tientsin-Pukow railway rolling stock and refugees are swarming. They engulfed the station as I arrived here last night.

### Terrible Fighting

General Fan Tsung-yin, defence commander in the sector from Loyang to the westward, told me that 15,000 Japanese were wounded at Fengyang and 10,000 Chinese in horrible fighting. The Japanese struck at the Chinese rear-guard and the Chinese swung back and inflicted terrible losses on the Japanese in retaliation.

General Wei Li-huang, west of Lingshin, is trying to bludgeon his way north, while General Chu Teh, from eastern Shansi, has flung a strong striking force against the Japanese rear.

The Japanese are employing the same tactics that have served them so well in the past. They are trying to flank the Chinese armies.

The terrible Japanese bombings have driven officials from Linfen into the countryside.

The Yellow River is very low near here and there are many good fords. The Japs are all filled. I am the only foreigner in the town. A Chinese missionary who found me wandering about bewildered, took me home.—*United Press.*

## Denies Italy Wants Share in Suez Defence

### TO FORM BRITISH AIR PATROL



These women, studying at Romford Flying School, are planning to form the first Women's Air Patrol when they "get their wings." They are undergoing a long and comprehensive scheme of training.

### JAPANESE EXPELLED BY FRENCH

Forced To Leave Concession After Truculent Demands

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

A platoon of French Concession police yesterday forced a small group of Japanese military police, who had entered the compound of the French Consulate on French Bund, in truculent mood, to leave the premises.

The Japanese demanded to see the French Consul-General, and said that if he did not receive them they would seal the American Trading Company's warehouse, as had been done before.

The Consul-General refused to receive them. Instead the French police were called, and they ushered the Japanese out of the compound, and escorted them to the boundary of the French Concession and the International Settlement, about 100 yards away.

Meanwhile the Japanese authorities have removed the seals from the Commercial Express and Storage Company's warehouse, following a strongly-worded protest by the American Consul-General.—*Reuter.*

### Many Britons Make Claims Against Japan

Consulate-General Assists Those Who Suffered Looting

London, Feb. 28.

Asked by Mr. Will Thorne (Lab.) for information as to the extent of looting of British goods in Shanghai, and the value of British cargo removed from British warehouses, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons to-day, said 102 claims in respect to looting and damage to property had been notified up to December 31.

Nine of these claims had been prepared and transmitted by the British Consul-General to the Japanese Consul-General.

It would be appreciated that most of the claimants had not yet been able to formulate their claims, and had only communicated preliminary statements to the Consul-General, where assistance was being given in drawing them up.

In view of the difficulty of ascertaining the value of property detailed losses of a large proportion of the losses were not yet available at the British Consul-General.—*Reuter.*

### STORY OF ATTACK ON COLONY-BOUND PLANE BRINGS SHARP DENIAL

A sensational story, attributed by *Reuter* to passengers arriving in Shanghai, was broadcast during the Davenport News Bulletin last night.

Quoting a message from Shanghai, the commentator stated that the Imperial Airways air-liner Delphinus was fired on by Japanese warships whilst proceeding to Hongkong from Bangkok.

The alleged incident is stated to have taken place just outside Hongkong waters, "an unknown number of warships opening fire. Machine-gun bullets whizzed and anti-aircraft shells exploded around the machine which, however, escaped untouched."

The *Telegraph* is informed from a reliable source that no such incident has taken place.

On Monday last week, the Delphinus passed over a number of warships in the Ladrone Group, flying at an altitude which was definitely beyond the effective range of machine-gun fire. It was later discovered the ships were Japanese.

When the plane was first sighted, it is revealed by another source, the Japanese aboard one of the warships are said to have manned anti-aircraft guns, suspecting that the Delphinus might be a Chinese bomber.

No attempt was made to fire on the Delphinus, it is emphasized, for as soon as the plane came within range the British flags prominently painted on its wings were clearly visible to the ships below.

Arising out of the incident, however, the *Telegraph* is informed from a reliable source that the Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese squadron radioed the Hongkong Government, requested that commercial aircraft be warned not to fly over Japanese warships, in view of the possibility that one might be mistaken for a Chinese plane, and fired upon.

There is no question of any protest having been made, however, because the Delphinus did fly over the warships. The British airplane following its normal route at a normal altitude.

The only passenger aboard the Delphinus on Monday last week was Dr. A. Grot, of Calcutta. The message from Shanghai quotes "passengers" as having told the story of the alleged attack.

Since then the Imperial Airways planes have flown by way of Gap Rock. This takes them well clear of any Japanese occupied islands or naval bases.

### HITLER WILL VISIT ITALY DURING MAY

Berlin, Feb. 28.

The Deutschen Reichsbotschaft Bureau stated to-day that Herr Adolf Hitler will visit Italy in May.

Among other places he will visit Florence, Naples and Rome, and he will witness Army and Navy reviews, and will probably attend Fascist mass meetings.—*United Press.*

### GERMAN ADVISERS TO REMAIN IN CHINA

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

Despite Germany's recognition of Manchukuo, German advisers with the Chinese army are continuing to serve, according to Chinese reports, which add that the advisers are pledged to remain true friends of China, and not to leave the country.—*Reuter.*

## CHAMBERLAIN CLAIMS SUGGESTION NEVER PUT TO GOVERNMENT

### Appointment of Halifax To Foreign Office Is Questioned by Labour

London, Feb. 28.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, answered Foreign Office questions in the House of Commons this afternoon. The first one, addressed by Mr. W. Wedgwood Benn (Lab.) asked whether the Italian Government had asked for a share in the defence of the Suez Canal at any time.

Mr. Chamberlain said the Foreign Office archives had not been searched prior to 1922, but since then the Government was not aware of any such request.

Mr. Chamberlain referred to the Italian description of the report as fantastic, and on Mr. Wedgwood Benn asking it was not a matter, which Government was discussing, Mr. Chamberlain replied: "There is no such matter, so that it cannot be discussed."—*Reuter.*

### Son of Wealthy Lawyer Held By Kidnappers

New Rochelle, N.Y., Feb. 28.

It is revealed to-day that Peter Levine, 12 year-old son of a wealthy lawyer, who disappeared on February 24 on his way home from school, has been kidnapped.

A ransom of U.S. \$50,000 is being demanded by the kidnappers.

Police are reported to be delaying taking any action pending effort by the boy's father to negotiate for his son's return.—*Reuter.*

### CHINESE PEASANTS RESISTING

American Army Officer Tours Northern Area

Hankow, Mar. 1.

Captain Evans F. Carlson of Plymouth, Connecticut, attached to the United States Marines, has just returned to Hankow after a 10-weeks trip in territory occupied by the Eighth Route Army, and in the course of which he crossed the Japanese occupied Shichichangwang and Taiyuan Railway, and made his way through Chinese partisan areas, progressing as far as 150 miles south-west of Peiping, travelling mostly on foot.

He said on his return to-day: "I walked 800 miles, rode 100 and travelled 100 by truck, and I felt fine."

Captain Carlson stated that 42 districts in Hopei, North Shansi and Chahar were under regular Chinese administration, and the military protection of the Eighth Route Army and Chinese partisans. All were in constant radio communication with the area administration, the centre of which was Wutaihsan, the sacred mountain in North Shansi, and also with the Central Government at Hankow.

Captain Carlson was present at the January 10 congress of the (Continued on Page 4.)

### Questions Appointment

London, Feb. 28.

The appointment of Lord Halifax was raised by Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, in the House of Commons to-day, when he asked the Prime Minister to state the reasons for breaking the established parliamentary practice of having the Foreign Secretary from the House of Commons.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain replied that although he did not accept the statement that there was any such established practice (Ministerial cheers) he agreed that, other things being equal, there were advantages in the Foreign Secretary being a member of the House of Commons. In the present circumstances the disadvantages of the different arrangements were, he thought, outweighed by Lord Halifax's outstanding qualifications.

Mr. Chamberlain offered an opportunity for a debate on the subject at 9 p.m. to-day if other business was finished. With regard to further arrangements, the Prime Minister said he proposed to deal with (Continued on Page 4.)

### STOP PRESS

### ARTILLERY DUEL AT SHANGYAO

Shangyao, March 1.

A fierce artillery duel between the Chinese and Japanese batteries at Shangyao, west of Fengyang on the south sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, has been taking place during the last few days.

The Japanese have brought several long-range guns into action, severely bombarding the Chinese positions. The Chinese batteries replied briskly.

A unit of 200 Japanese soldiers in 10 trucks was attacked by a Chinese mobile force whilst on its way from Chihhochen to Tingyuan. After a two-hour engagement, the Japanese were routed, suffering some 30 casualties. About 20 Chinese guerrilla troops were also killed.—*Central News.*

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)



## MEALS FOR LIVE-ALONES



These menus will  
get your man . . .  
You've invited him to dinner  
for the first time

**THOUGH** you may live alone, we hope you don't dine alone with too great regularity.

Dining should be an adventure in sociability as well as in taste, and there's no telling to what other adventures it may lead.

But don't depend altogether on getting invitations. You may get something even more advantageous by issuing a few yourself.

Apart from the well-known way to a man's heart, there is something very flattering to any man about an invitation to dine alone with a woman.

The chances are that he will arrive, the first time, in a pleased and slightly curious frame of mind, which is all your favour.

It's up to you to make the most of it, and there are a number of rules to help.

## Be sure of Yourself

**FIRST RULE**—Don't invite him at all unless you are sure you can give him a meal he'll really enjoy. That means not too sketchy a meal and certainly no visible strain or fuss.

A twittering hostess is exhausting, and an apologetic one is tiresome.

Any man would rather sit down, opposite a serene woman presiding over superlative scrambled eggs, followed by big, black cherries and an epicurean cheese than a fussed and fussy one manœuvring an array of expensive courses.

**SECOND RULE**, needed only by those entertaining with limited space or equipment, is—Never ask a man to balance his plate on his knee.

Men may be better jugglers than women, but not at mealtime.

Any he-man we have ever met wants to put his feet under a table when he eats dinner. If you haven't room even for a table big enough for two, have a nest of little ones and set one in front of your guest (and one in front of yourself, when dinner is served).

**THIRD RULE**—Plan your meal according to your man.

We don't mean according to his standards of elegance. Your standards will come through any veneer you may put on, like an old finish through a thin layer of paint, so you might as well forget his completely.

## Size is Misdleading

**DON'T**, we beg, judge a man's appetite by his size.

Fat men are often on a diet, and sometimes have meagre appetites to start with; some small men can consume enormous quantities of nourishment.

In any case, it's better to have more than enough and use the left-overs next day. (Often, this is half the fun of any party.)

The first test to apply to the average male, in planning his meal, is the alcohol test. A man's tastes and interest in food are pretty sure to vary according to his tastes and principles in drinking.

## If he doesn't Drink

**WE** might as well start with the teetotaler, who crops up in every woman's life from time to time, and sometimes permanently.

For him, you'd better think up a lot of creamy things and plenty of sweets (remembering that he has his good points, after all). This gentleman will like candy left around on little tables, for after-dinner stuffing, and jelly, with the meat course.

You'd better take it for granted that this guest will be very hungry and plan accordingly.

**Cream of Tomato Soup**  
**Meat Loaf with Mushroom Sauce**  
**Spinach and Carrots Vichy**  
**Hot Rolls**  
**Grape Jelly**  
**Meringue Shells with Ice Cream**  
**Coffee**

Since you live alone and are probably thinner—as to space and equipment, you'd better start off on this menu with a good tomato soup—which is the best tomato soup anyway.

The meat loaf should be a home product, however.

## MEAT LOAF

One pound of chopped beef, one of chopped veal, a half-pound of fresh pork, and a half-pound of sausage meat, are mixed with one egg, one cupful of bread, crumbs, one tin of tomato soup or a half bottle of catsup, and salt and pepper. Strips of bacon in the bottom of the pan add an extra flavour, and the loaf should be baked until brown.

## Mushroom Sauce

**THOROUGHLY** brush and clean a half-pound of mushrooms before you cut them into slices.

Then add them to three tablespoonfuls of melted butter, cook from three to five minutes, sprinkle with salt and pepper, dredge with one tablespoonful of flour, add one cupful of rich milk and two tablespoonfuls of cream, and cook slowly for another five minutes.

## CARROTS VICHY

You'll do best with this if you choose little tender carrots of the same size. Clean and boil them in lightly salted water until tender, then slice them very thin (that is the trick, really) and saute the slices in butter to which a little sugar has been added.

Turn them till they are a nice brown and sprinkle them with minced parsley.

The spinach is just like any spinach—(washed and washed before)—it's cooked in salted water and seasoned, but it should be heaped in a mound on the serving dish, with the carrots piled gaily round it.

Article On  
Cuckoo  
Mothers

"SHE is always parking her children at other people's houses," complained a friend of mine the other day, speaking of her neighbour who had asked her to look after her baby for her while she had a day in town. "I call her a cuckoo mother."

There is a difference between the mother who is a slave to her children, who sacrifices everything to them, making them intolerably selfish by bearing all their burdens for them, and the cuckoo mother who thinks of herself first and her children last.

Nobody minds looking after somebody else's baby in an emergency, but when it happens two or three times a week, it becomes too much of a good thing. Besides, there is the baby to consider. One infant who was continually spending days at auntie's down the road began calling her mummy as his small cousins did. Stubbornly he insisted that his own mother was auntie. There is no snub worse than the one a small child administers.

## "A SLAVE TO MY CHILDREN"

"I don't intend to be a slave to my children, if I have any," said a newly-married woman. After her baby arrived, though everything was quite straightforward, she and her husband went off on holiday, leaving the baby with the nurse. She said it would give the baby such a splendid start to get into good habits of sleeping and feeding, and besides it was not good to take a young baby away from home.

All this was true and the infant was well cared for in the mother's absence, but somehow the little one does not seem to belong to her parent. At a year old, she is very independent, and will as soon go to anyone else as to her mother.

## DESTROYING AFFECTION

No one can tell the effect on a baby of purely mechanical care and attention, however efficient it may be. There may be some people who think that a mother is not always capable of training and looking after her infant, and to those, cuckoo mothers will seem quite natural.

They have to pay for it later, however, when their children look for sympathy to others and think of their mother as the least significant person in the home. Perhaps it is she who looks to them for sympathy and does not find it, for she was not the centre of their world during the period of babyhood, and now she wants them, she finds she has lost them.

It is worth all the self-sacrifice of outside interests in their early days to gain a firm place in the children's hearts. They grow up so soon into school children. Then when mother is free to spend whole days in shopping, she sometimes thinks rather longingly of the time when she had always to take a pram with her.

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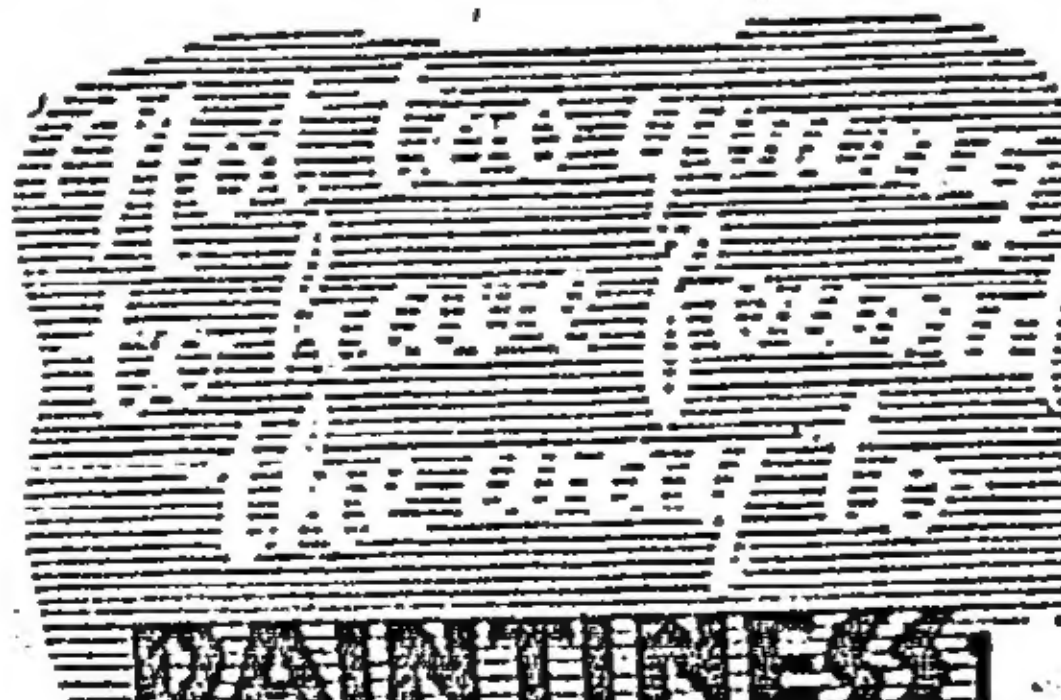
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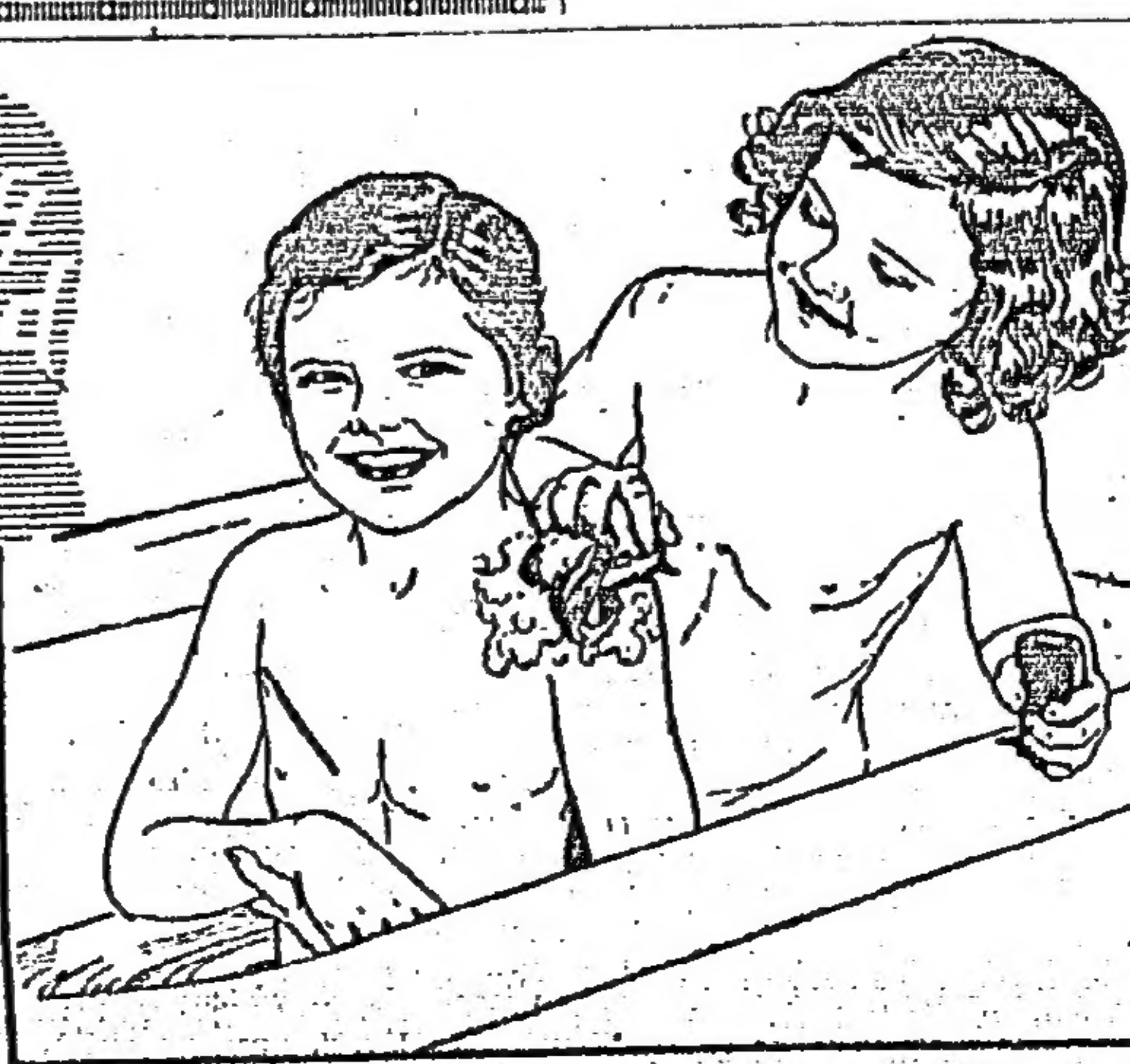
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This amazing possibility follows his action, revealed to the *Sunday Referee* recently, in subjecting himself to the physical preparations necessary for the grafting into his body of an artificial heart.

## JESUITS TO LEAVE INSURGENT TERRITORY

Jesuits have decided to leave Franco territory in Spain. The final cause for the decision was the question of publishing the Papal Encyclical on the persecution in Germany, says the *News Chronicle*.

Cardinal Gomez told General Franco that the Pope had ordered this and other Encyclicals to be read in Spanish churches and Franco asked for delay.

Franco then questioned the German representative in Salamanca who also asked for time.

Permission was given to Cardinal Gomez for all the Encyclicals with the exception of the one about the German question.

At a recent meeting of the Grand Council of the Order of Jesus it was decided that the Order should quit Franco's territory. The decision has to be ratified by the Pope.

The artificial heart, made of rubber and metal, has been perfected by Dr. Alexis Carrel, with Lindbergh's assistance, on the lonely isle of St. Gildas, off the Brittany coast.

It is a machine which it is claimed would do all the work of the human heart in circulating blood and maintaining life. It has been tested on sections of animal tissue, but never yet on a living animal.

Lindbergh is now living on the island with Dr. Carrel. He has adopted the special diet, including periodical fasts, which are prescribed by Dr. Carrel as the best training for a man aspiring to prolong his life. He has given up golf and all other violent exercises, in accordance with the doctor's precept that excessive open-air exercise renders the tissues less adapted to the eventual substitution of an artificial heart.

Lindbergh gambled with death when he flew the Atlantic alone and became America's hero. Now he is gambling with life.

## Navy Honours Chinese Cook

London, Feb. 8. A H. Soo, Chinese cook in the British destroyer *Tenedos*, now on her way to Singapore, died in the Military Hospital at Gibraltar yesterday, and was buried at sea with full naval honours off Europa Point.

The coffin was taken out into the Straits by the destroyer *Encounter*, and all ships of the fleet at Gibraltar lowered their flags to half-mast during the funeral.

H.M.S. *Tenedos* is proceeding to Singapore in accordance with the

## On Dole, He Won £500, Got Job

Facing a dismal future on the dole, Mr. F. Salt, of Cruso Street, Leek, learned recently that his luck had changed with a vengeance.

First came the news that he had won £500 in a penny pools competition and then he succeeded in getting a job after being months out of work.

But for one mistake on his coupon, the *Sunday Chronicle* understands, Mr. Salt would have won £14,000.

Arrangements for reserve ships on overseas stations which have been brought into operation gradually since they were approved in 1936.



"NO MORE PHOTOGRAPHS!" smiles General Matsui, as foreign diplomats gathered to bid farewell to the recalled Army leader in Shanghai.

## U.S. Win Spelling Bee Thanks To The Women

(By H. L. McNALLY)

London. YOU wouldn't think there was much fun to be got out of a broadcast spelling contest, even with one team in London and the other in Boston, Massachusetts. Yet the B.B.C.'s broadcast yesterday in co-operation with the Nation Broadcasting Company of America provided plenty of laughs for listeners—and competitors.

## More Atlantic Flights This Summer

Experimental flying-boat flights across the Atlantic are to be continued in the coming summer, it was stated at the Air Ministry. The *Caledonia* and *Cambria*, which carried out the experiments last summer, may carry out further flights.

The *Cambria* has recently been used for tests of re-fuelling in the air, with the co-operation of Sir Alan Cobham. These tests, so far as they have gone, have been satisfactory.

It is understood, however, that it is not yet considered that the tests have gone far enough to justify an assumption that a regular Atlantic air service will depend on a re-fuelling system, writes Major C. C. Turner, air correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*.

Eight additional Empire flying boats, which, as already announced, have been ordered by Imperial Airways, are to be strengthened to carry a load of 53,000 lb. instead of 40,500 lb. like the first 28 which were ordered. Structure weight will be greater, but the useful load also will be increased.

It is unlikely that any of these new flying boats will be delivered before August. It is therefore problematical whether they will be ready for Atlantic flights this year.

They are not specifically designed for re-fuelling in the air, but can be adapted for it.

## RADIO AMBULANCE SERVICE MOST MODERN IN THE WORLD

Conversations between officers at ambulance headquarters and men on cars as far away as forty miles have been made possible by the opening of a new radio ambulance service in Sydney. Claimed to be the first in the Empire and the most modern in the world, it will revolutionise ambulance work in Australia.

Not only will calls be answered more quickly, but doctors and nurses will be warned beforehand of cases which need prompt hospital treatment. A radio transmitter with a power of 200 watts is installed at headquarters. Each car has its own receiving set and a transmitting set with a power of 10 watts.—*Australian News*.

I watched the Oxford University spelling "blues"—six men and two women—do their best against a Harvard and Radcliffe team.

Mr. Tom Woodroffe, who conducted the "London" end of the contest, tossed a penny, and Oxford kicked off. The spellers, wearing headphones and sitting along one wall, in turn faced a microphone in the middle of the studio, and spelled the words dictated from Boston.

From the control room where I sat I could see hope expectant on the competitors' faces, and sheepish grins when their mistakes were gonged.

### "BEATITUDES"

"Beatitudes" was the first word, and was spelled correctly from America, but pronounced "beatitoods."

The culmest competitors were the women, Miss Penelope Knox and Miss Miranda Tallents, daughter of Sir Stephen Tallents, B.B.C. Controller of Public Relations, who sat watching her in the studio. Miss Tallents got a little cheer for spelling "obedience" at the first attempt.

"Daguerrtype" (early kind of photograph) defeated four competitors, but Miss Knox spelled it with hardly any hesitation. Mr. Peter Wood, son of Lord Halifax, spelled "anonymity," "aninity," and was duly gonged. "Pusillanimity" left competitors gaping and became "pusillanimity."

I tested my own spelling by writing down the words as soon as they were uttered, but was beaten by one—"braggadoelo," to which I gave one "G" and two "C's."

### "RATHER SPELL HUMBUG"

While the contest raged a couple of announcers came into the control room to watch the fun. One competitor, faced with the word "pettifoggery," said plaintively, "I'd rather spell humbug," and was gonged. "Trachea" puzzled several spellers, but "sesquipedalian" frightened nobody.

The result of the contest was a victory for the American team by 28 points to 24, and on each side of the Atlantic the women proved the better spellers.

Miss Tallents proved herself a first-rate microphone personality as well as a dauntless speller. The young Earl of Oxford and Asquith was another good microphone performer.

Some competitors gained time to think by asking for a dictionary definition of the word. Mr. Turetzky, of Harvard, made us laugh every time he spelled by repeating the spelling in a whisper after he was sure the gong was not going to banish him from the microphone. A further broadcast spelling bee may be arranged soon.

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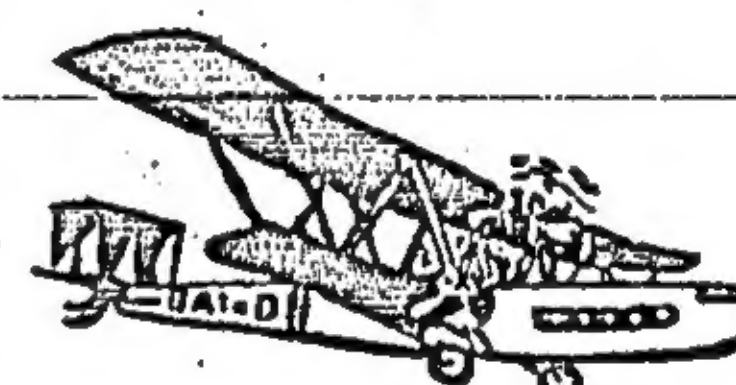
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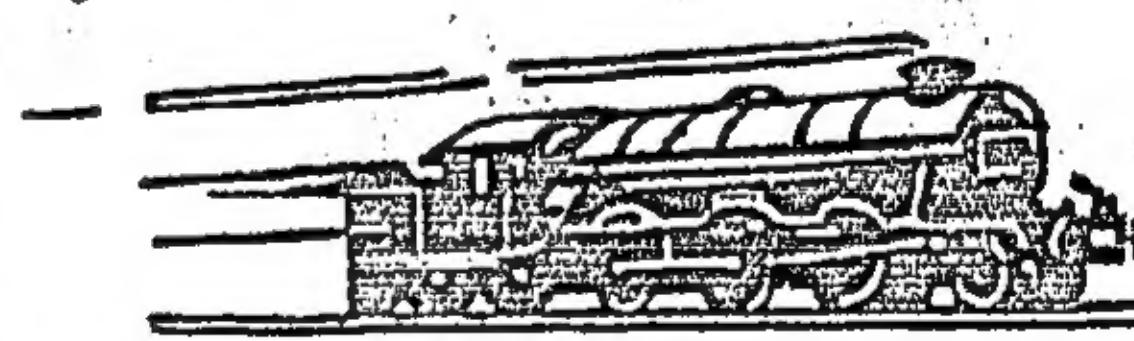
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By Order of the Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1938.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 11th March, 1938, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 4th March, 1938, to Friday, the 11th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
F. H. CRAPNELL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1938.

NEW YORK STOCK  
EXCHANGESWAN, CULBERTSON &  
FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Feb. 28.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

The market to-day adopted a waiting attitude pending the Supreme Court's decision, the action on tax legislation, the freight decision and the Administration's action on prices. Adverse news included the Iron and Steel Institute's scheduled operations of 22 1/2% of capacity for the week, which is the year's third lowest level, compared with 85.8% of capacity for the corresponding week of last year. There has been a hopeful seasonal pick-up in industrial activity, but the total of display-advertising is behind that of last year. The market is apprehensive of the forthcoming Federal Court of Claims report on the American Telephone investigation. High construction costs and tax are limiting building construction.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:

Stocks: Prices to-day receded, but selling pressure was absent and sentiment was generally bearish. Traders were cautious. Unless the volume of selling increases there is no likelihood of a serious decline. The "Times" business index for the week was 70.4 as against 70.7 last week and 104.9 for the corresponding week of last year.

Cotton: The security of contracts has a steady influence on prices. The action of the market to-day was non-aggressive. It is reported that few mills are operating, except on orders. Meanwhile, all branches of the market are awaiting further developments.

Wheat: There are excellent private winter crop reports over a large acreage. There have been further rains in the South-West and export sales are small. There has been a visible decrease in supplies of 2,200,000 bushels. Out of 5 brokers, 3 are bullish and 2 are bearish.

Corn: Prices to-day were easy on increased receipts and the absence of export sales. There has been a visible increase in supplies of 200,000 bushels.

Rubber: The market to-day was quiet. Reports of an increase in English stocks and indifferent factory interest tended towards ease.

Sugar: Prices to-day were firm on renewed Cuban short-covering.

Dow Jones Averages	Low	Close
30 Industrials	131.20	129.04
20 Rails	30.29	29.80
20 Utilities	20.18	19.92
40 Bonds	91.50	91.50
11 Commodity Index	54.33	54.10

PILOT WITH  
PAYROLL  
MISSINGPhilippines Mystery  
Sensation

Manila, Mar. 1.

The Philippine Aerial Taxi Company has revealed that a passenger plane, carrying U.S.\$17,500 payroll of the Marsman Mining Company, is missing en route to the Paracale Islands.

The sole occupant of the plane is the pilot, Burton Hall, a former C.N.A.C. flyer.

Four American and Philippine army planes are now searching for the missing machine. The company does not believe it has been intercepted by aerial bandits.—United Press.

To Save U.S.  
Car IndustryNational Campaign  
During March

Detroit, Feb. 28.

For the first time in history, all automobile manufacturers and dealers, including Mr. Henry Ford, have joined in a campaign to break the used car jam and to stimulate recovery.

Designated the "National Used Car Exchange Week," the campaign which will take place from March 5 to March 12, was announced to-day to be the result of the recent White House conference.

It is proposed to spend \$1,250,000 in advertising the campaign, two-thirds of which will be allotted to the newspapers, and the remainder to radio and outdoor advertising.—United Press.

Japanese  
Diplomatic  
Transfers

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

It is learned that the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Okamoto, is being transferred to London as a Counsellor, and is being succeeded by Mr. Hidaoka, at present Charge d'Affaires and first secretary of the Japanese Embassy.

It is also learned that Mr. Tanaka, former Minister to Austria, is leaving Tokyo for Shanghai to-day to take charge of Japanese diplomatic affairs in Central China.—Reuter.

U.S. MUST CHOOSE  
TOTALITARIANISM  
OR CAPITALISM

Washington, Feb. 28.

Mr. Ismar Baruch of the Civil Service Commission, testified before the Senate Unemployment Relief Committee to-day, when he said:

"If it became clear to-morrow that America has definitely chosen her traditional profit system, forces would be released that would rapidly hasten recovery and re-employment. As an alternative to relying on the profits system and the hope of gain, we can try the new European idea of State regulation. We can try one or the other, but we cannot try both at the same time. America must choose."—United Press.

PERSONNEL TO PROBE  
PALESTINE PROBLEM

London, Feb. 28.

The personnel of the Palestine Partition Commission was announced to-day and is: Sir John Woodhead, Sir Alison Russell, and Mr. A. P. Waterfield. A fourth member may be appointed.

The Commission will start work in England about the middle of March, and will probably go to Palestine about a month later, arriving as soon as possible after the Easter ceremonies in Jerusalem have concluded.—Reuter.

BOMBING CIVILIANS  
IN SPAIN

London, Feb. 28.

The Prime Minister stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Spanish Government had accepted in principle the British Government's proposals for the cessation of the bombing of civilians and unfortified towns, but the insurgent headquarters at Salamanca replied that they must reserve the right and freedom of action to strike at military objectives whenever necessary.—Reuter Bulletin.

Diplomats Of  
China, Japan  
Shake Hands

London, Feb. 28.

Representatives of legations of China and Japan were present at an international lunch arranged by the Hendon Rotary Club, at which 14 countries were represented to-day.

Mr. W. C. Cheng, Chinese Charge d'Affaires, and Mr. Hasegawa, First Secretary to the Japanese Embassy, shook hands when they met at table.—Reuter.

DENIES ITALY WANTS  
SHARE IN SUEZ  
DEFENCE

(Continued from Page 1.)

All important aspects of foreign affairs which formed the subject of debate, or questions. He would answer all the major questions and Mr. R. A. Butler, the new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the others.—Reuter.

## GOVERNMENT WINS DEBATE

The Government motion for adjournment was carried by 226 to 99 after a debate in which Mr. Clement Attlee claimed that the appointment of a Foreign Secretary outside of the House of Commons was a departure from constitutional practice. He urged close control of foreign policy by the House of Commons in view of the very great tension in foreign affairs, the deep divisions in the country on foreign policy, and the fact that the whole principle of democracy was being assailed in the world to-day.

He said the proposal of the Premier to answer questions on major foreign policy entailed a great danger of duality in the control of foreign affairs.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Lib.) declared there was no constitutional law against the Foreign Secretary being a member of the House of Lords, and he expressed the opinion that Lord Halifax was the best man available for the job.

Mr. Winston Churchill concurred, and Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, emphasised that he chose Lord Halifax because he regarded him as the best man qualified for the job.

Referring to his undertaking to answer Foreign Office questions, the Premier said he assumed members of the opposition would not try to abuse their rights, but would try to confine themselves to questions which they thought ought to be answered.—Reuter.

CHINESE PEASANTS  
RESISTING

(Continued from Page 1.)

district representatives at Wutashan, and later he covered a large part of the area, often coming within five and 10 miles of the Japanese lines. He once watched a Japanese train, comprising only the engine which had been left on the Shichichang-Taiyuan line, together with one car, creeping along the track, oblivious to the fact that it was close to Chinese troops.

## NOT JAPANESE OCCUPIED

He obtained reliable information that 17 districts in Hopei, between the Peiping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow railways were still administered by Chinese authorities. One such district was 20 miles south-west of Tientsin. A peasant militia had been organised, and the peasants were occupied in transporting supplies to the wounded and collecting information for the soldiers.

Captain Carlson said the peasants were acutely aware of the Japanese menace, and insisted upon seeing the credentials of all travellers along the roads through the villages, thus making it practically impossible for spies and Japanese agents to get through. Under these conditions it might be said that large parts of Hopei and the majority of Shanai was not occupied by Japanese at all. The practical effects of the Japanese occupation was felt only along the railways and the trunk roads.

Captain Carlson arrived at Hankow with a jacket lined with soft sheep's fur, a present from Eighth Route Army soldiers who captured it from the Japanese. The Chinese soldiers were at first reluctant to allow him to proceed to the Japanese rear, but finally permitted him to do so after he had signed a document absolving them from all responsibility in the case of misadventure.—United Press.

JAPANESE SHATTER  
LINGSHIN LINES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Insignificant. Not until the sacrifices reach 50 or 100 millions have we reason to despair," said General Kai Chung-hai, Chief of Staff in an address at Hankow. He declared that the Sino-Japanese conflict showed it took three Chinese to kill one Japanese, and at that rate China would need 100,000,000 to wipe out the entire male population of Japan.

General Kai admitted that China was weak, contending that if they balance all the factors, including preparations for a long war of defence while fighting the final victory would be theirs.—Reuter.

STRAIGHT  
TALKING TO  
FRANCOBritain Insists On  
Compensation For  
Alicia Sinking

London, Feb. 28.

General Franco's administration, having afforded an explanation about the sinking of the Alicia, which the Government considered unsatisfactory, the British Agent at Salamanca has been instructed to express the Government's opinion that the attack was entirely unjustified, and that the responsible full compensation for the sinking of the ship and the loss of life sustained by the crew.

Regarding other incidents in the Mediterranean, the Salamanca authorities objected to the strong terms of the British communications which they considered unjustified, but the British Agent has been instructed to reply, justifying the language, says reports received in London.—Reuter.

AIR RAID  
DEFENCE  
EXPERT'S  
CAREER

Wing Cmdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, of the Air Raids Precautions Department, who has been appointed to be Air Raids Precautions Officer to Hongkong, was born in 1887 at Exeter. In April 1918 he joined the Air Ministry as Major (S.O.2) with the permanent rank of Paymaster. In August of that year he was made S.O.1 at the Air Ministry with the rank of temporary Lieut.-Colonel and in August 1919 was granted a permanent commission as Squadron Leader in the Royal Air Force. Promoted to Wing Commander in January 1925, he was transferred to the retired list at his own request in August 1935.

Among his postings between 1922 and 1923 were, Aircraft Depot, Middle East (1922-23), Headquarters Inland Command (1923-28), H.M.S. Hermes, China Command (1928-30), Command R.A.F. Base, Kai Tak (November 21, 1929 to December 1, 1929), Command School of Photography (1929-1932) and Air Ministry (1932-1933).

For valuable services rendered during the Great War he was awarded the Order of the British Empire.

EX-AMBASSADOR  
MAY BE NEW  
GOVERNOR

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

The serious domestic crisis arising from the refusal of the Szechuen military authorities to accept General Chang Chun as Governor of the province has been finally resolved, according to Chinese reports.

The Central Government has evidently made concessions, Chinese despatches predicting that Mr. Hsu Shi-ying, former Ambassador to Tokyo, will be given the appointment.—Reuter.

JAPAN TO PREPARE  
FOR OLYMPICS

Tokyo, Mar. 1.

The Olympic organisation decided yesterday vigorously to campaign in favour of staging the winter Olympics at Sapporo, and also decided to immediately proceed with the construction of all the necessary stadiums.—United Press.

GERMAN BISHOP  
ON TRIAL

Berlin, Feb. 28.

The trial of Pastor Niemoller is being resumed on March 2, and it is expected to end the same day. The Public Prosecutor is expected to ask for a sentence of imprisonment of 18 months or two years, with a ban on Bishop Niemoller's preaching.—Reuter Bulletin.

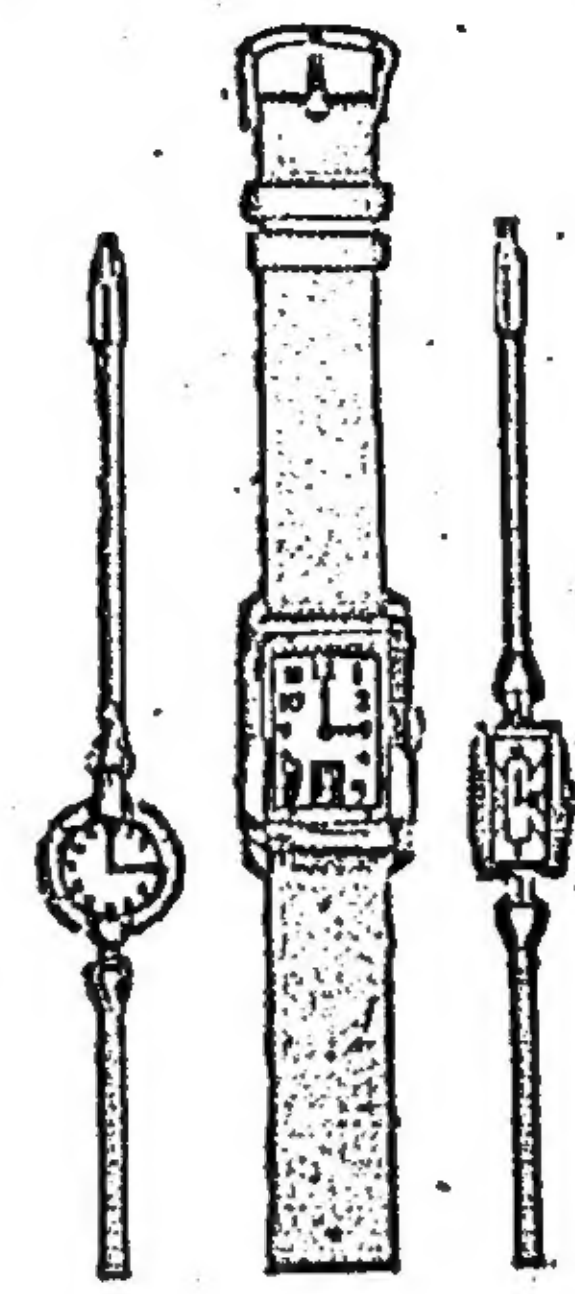
SHIPS IN WIRELESS  
COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Chung-sung, Ping-wo, Naldera, Yatshing, Shengding, Hakusan Maru, President Coolidge, Empress of Russia, John Moller, Taiseun Hong, Yingchow, Van Heutsz, Sepia and Hellas.

YOUNG AUSTRALIAN  
BATTING WELL

Launceston, Feb. 28.

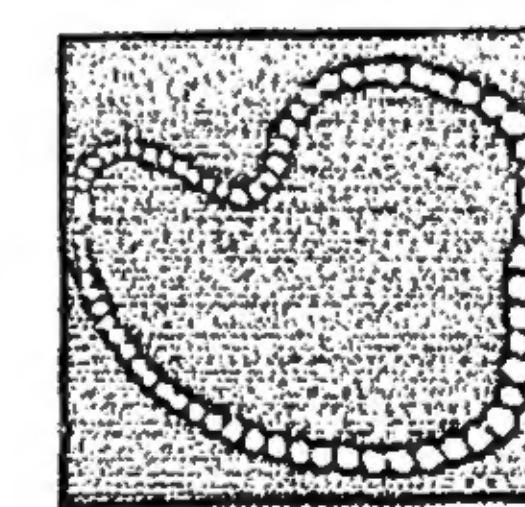
Australia's youngest player in the test team, S. Barnes, who scored 31 not out in the first innings, against Tasmania, was again in form to-day and at the close of play had made 60 not out. Scores were Australia, 477 and 159 for 3; Tasmania 112.—Reuter Bulletin.

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**AIR MAIL SERVICES**  
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## INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	March 1.
Straits	Atrous	March 2.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	March 2.
Salon	Marechal Joffre	March 2.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	Naldera	March 2.
February—London date, 3rd		
London date, 27th January.		
U.S.A., Japan and Manila—San Francisco date, 5th February.	Pres. Coolidge	March 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Aramis	March 3.
Straits	Bantock	March 3.
Salon	Glenapp	March 3.
Shanghai	Kwelyang	March 3.
Bangkok and Swatow	Tanda	March 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Comorin	March 4.
Japan	Delagon Maru	March 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways"	Imperial Airways Plane	March 4.
Direct Service—London date, 24th February		
February		
Japan	Kutsang	March 4.
Japan	Mirzapore	March 4.
Shanghai	Manila Maru	March 4.
Straits	Conte Verde	March 6.
Salon	Cyclops	March 6.
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	March 6.
Australia and Manila	Nankin	March 6.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 23rd February.		
Straits	Perscus	March 5.
Shanghai	Ixon	March 6.
Japan	Kumang	March 7.
Salon	Marechal Joffre	March 8.
Australia and Manila	Taipei	March 8.
Shanghai	Hector	March 9.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila—Seattle 12th February.	President Jackson	March 9.

## OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Tuesday		
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjalsak	Tues., Mar. 1, 12.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Conte Verde	Tues., Mar. 1, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Niel Maersk	Tues., Mar. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Friesland	Tues., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
Wednesday		
Swatow and Amoy	Anhui	Wed., Mar. 2, 1.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongling	Wed., Mar. 2, 5.15 a.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Ninghai	Wed., Mar. 2, 5.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., Mar. 2, 5.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Aeneas	Wed., Mar. 2, 5.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Fook On	Wed., Mar. 2, 10 a.m.
Thursday		
Salon, Ceylon, India, East and Aramis	G. F. O. and K. P. O.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 9.45 a.m.
*South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 30th March.	Reg.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	Thurs., Mar. 3, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Fochow and Tientsin	Ninghai	Thurs., Mar. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Tientsin	Newchwang	Thurs., Mar. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweliu, C.N.A.C. Plane	K. F. O.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 5 p.m.
Kweliu and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service"	Reg.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 5 p.m.
vice."	Ord.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 5 p.m.
Reg.	G. F. O.	Thurs., Mar. 3, 5 p.m.
Ord.	G. F. O.	Thurs., Mar. 4, 6 a.m.
Friday		
Shanghai and Japan	Naldera	Fri., Mar. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiangsu	Fri., Mar. 4, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 1st April.	G. F. O. and K. P. O.	Fri., Mar. 4, 1 p.m.
Parcels	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 5.05 a.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Manila Maru	Fri., Mar. 4, 2.30 p.m.	
South Africa.		
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, President Coolidge	Fri., Mar. 4, 4 p.m.	
Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco 22nd March.	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 22nd March.	Parcels	Fri., Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Fri., Mar. 4, 5.30 a.m.
Saturday		
Swatow and Shanghai	Szechuen	Sat., Mar. 5, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Tai Seun Hong	Sat., Mar. 5, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways"	Comorin	Sat., Mar. 5, 8.30 a.m.
Direct Service—due Amsterdam 13th March	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat., Mar. 5, 9.30 a.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 10 a.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Egypt and Conte Verde	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat., Mar. 5, 4.15 p.m.
*Europe via Brindisi 25th March	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honol. Pan American Airways Sat., Mar. 5	K. F. O.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
ulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 13th March.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	G. F. O.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Kwalsang	Sun., Mar. 6, 8.30 a.m.
Monday		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, Emp. of Canada	Mon., March 7.	
U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C., 27th March	Parcels	Mon., Mar. 7, 4 p.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Mon., Mar. 7, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Mon., Mar. 7, 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Imperial Airways Plane"	Tues., March 8.	
Direct Service—due London, 10th March	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Tues., Mar. 8, 8 a.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Tues., Mar. 8, 8 a.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Tues., Mar. 8, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Imperial Airways Plane"	Tues., March 8.	
12th March	Reg.	Tues., Mar. 8, 8 a.m.
Ord.	Reg.	Tues., Mar. 8, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kumang	Tues., March 8.
Shanghai and Japan	Marchal Joffre	Tues., Mar. 8, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Marechal Joffre	Wed., Mar. 8,



## EUROPEAN WOMAN IN FIGHT

Declares Chinese Man  
And Wife Attack  
Her In Roadway  
Calls Defendants'  
Tales Lies

Describing how she was hit in the face and kicked in the stomach when a Chinese tailor and his wife attacked her in Hankow Road on February 2, Mrs. Bertha Pears, of 108 Austin Road, gave evidence at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday when hearing in the assault case was resumed before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett.

A cross-summons against Mrs. Pears for assault was heard at the same time.

The Chinese, Lui Kai-ming, 31, and Ho Suk-yuen, 27, appeared on bail of \$25 each, and were represented by Mr. Hinshing Lo, while Mr. C. A. S. Ross acted for Mrs. Pears. Detective Sergeant J. F. Scott was present for the police.

Explaining why he had charged the Chinese instead of telling Mrs. Pears to issue a summons against them as was the usual custom, Sub-Inspector T. McMahon, who had been on duty at the Water Police Station, said that about 10.35, Mrs. Pears and two European men came into the charge room, followed by the tailor and his wife.

Mrs. Pears complained of being assaulted, and was in a very nervous state. She was bleeding from a cut on the bridge of her nose and said she had internal pains. Her coat collar had been nearly torn off and her hand appeared to be bruised. The Chinese had slight abrasions on their faces, but no other signs of injury. After hearing from both parties what had happened, he considered the case serious enough to charge the defendants. All three were sent to the Kowloon Hospital for medical examination.

Mrs. Pears then gave evidence. She said that about 10.15 a.m. she

had been crossing Hankow Road when a car coming down the road from the Star Theatre passed just in front of her, without sounding a horn, and ran over her left foot. She screamed, and the car stopped. The occupants, the tailor and his wife, took no notice of her and just went on their way and touched her on the shoulder and said he was not fit to drive a car.

### Blows Exchanged

She then walked off. After she had gone about 20 yards down the road, she heard someone running behind her, and saw that it was the tailor. He was very excited and spoke in broken English which she could not understand. His manner was that she would not argue in the road and asked him to come to the police station and settle it there.

Then his wife came up, and smacked Mrs. Pears in the face. Mrs. Pears struck her back, whereupon the tailor hit her and said she must not strike his wife. Again he hit her, and she kicked him on the shin to keep him off.

The woman returned to the car, and returned with two paper packages containing a number of 10 cent pieces, which she threw into Mrs. Pears' face, causing her nose to bleed. "She was very excited, like a tiger cat," declared Mrs. Pears.

In the meantime the man had taken his overcoat off.

Two European men came up and tried unsuccessfully to stop the fight. Then Mr. J. C. Power drove up in his car, and getting out, told the defendants to stop.

Instead, the woman caught hold of Mrs. Pears' coat and pulled, as if trying to strangle her, and her husband hit Mrs. Pears again. An amah came up and caught hold of Mrs. Pears and then both the tailor and his wife struck her.

Mrs. Pears endeavored to protect herself by holding on to the wife's hand and pushing the amah away. Mr. Power seized the tailor, and eventually all parties went to the police station—Mrs. Pears in Mr. Power's car, and the defendants in their car, the number of which had been taken down.

"I was in a very bad state," said Mrs. Pears. "Never in my life have I been in anything like it. I had been kicked in the stomach, but I don't know by whom. I felt as if I were going to faint. I felt a pain in

my stomach and two teeth had been loosened. My right hand was sore and still in."

In cross-examination, Mrs. Pears said she could not give a reason for the attack.

### Defence Questions

Mr. Lo: It seems to me if what you say is correct, and they had no reason for the attack, they must have been mad.—That's what I thought.

I put it to you that my client had been drawing up at his shop and the moment he pulled up, you came up and struck him with your closed fist. Did you do that?—No, I only touched his shoulder.

Then the moment after he was struck the man left his car and asked you in English why you had struck him.—No. He did not.

You did not answer him but you began to scratch his face.—No, it's a lie.

Did you ever scratch his face at any time?—No.

Did you kick him while he was warding off your attack?—While he was hitting me I kicked him to keep him back.

Is it true that the wife left the car in order to separate you from her husband?—No, it's a lie.

She suggested that instead of quarrelling there you should go the police station and settle the matter?—No, she said nothing either in English or Chinese. She never spoke; she just hit me.

Did she say to you that you had no right to assault her husband in the street?—No, she never spoke throughout.

While she was suggesting going to the police station you came up to her and caught hold of her hair and scratched her face.—No.

Did you at any time catch her by the hair?—Yes, but I held her by her hair so she couldn't attack me.

Did you scratch her face?—No. But there were signs of abrasions on her face.—I hit her but I did not scratch her.

When Mrs. Pears said she had not seen any other witnesses except the men, Mr. Lo brought in a European woman, Mrs. Greenway, whom he said he would call as a disinterested witness. Mrs. Pears said she had not seen her there at the time.

Mrs. Pears mentioned that she had a weak heart and was frightened of shocks.

An adjournment was made to 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8.

## H.M.S. KENT RETURNS SOON TO H.K. STATION

H.M.S. Kent, on completion of large repairs at Chatham, will be recommissioned to return to her former service as flagship on the China Station, in succession to the Cumberland. The Kent was paid off into dockyard control over a year ago, and up to March 31 next an estimated sum of £481,000 is being spent on her.

Recent appointments notified by the Admiralty include:

Captain L. H. Ashmore to Kent, in command (April 7), and as Flag Captain to Commander-in-Chief, China (on transfer of flag).

Lt.-Cdr. A. F. Matheson to Kent (G), (March 21).

The Cumberland, Suffolk, and Cornwall, of the same class as Kent, have already been refitted, and the Berwick is now in hand at Chatham. The alterations include the fitting of extra armour protection, the increase of the 4in. anti-aircraft armament from four guns to six, and provision for three amphibious aircraft instead of the former single seaplane.

Captain L. H. Ashmore, at present Assistant to the Admiral Commanding Reserves, will join the Kent in command on April 7. This will be his last command as a captain. Since his last service afloat in command of the sloops Wallflower and Cyclamen, on the Africa Station, he has graduated at the Staff and Imperial Defence Colleges. In the War he served as sub-lieutenant and lieutenant in the cruiser Essex and in submarines, obtaining command in February, 1918. In 1923-26 he commanded motor-launch No. 8 in the Rhine Flotilla.

### SIR PERCY NOBLE'S RETURN

It is anticipated that His Excellency Vice Admiral Sir Percy Noble will be returning to Hongkong from Singapore manoeuvres about March 12 in the Flagship, H.M.S. Cumberland.

### CAPTAIN FOR AUSTRALIA

Captain, W. R. Patterson, C.V.O., who is being lent to the Australian Navy, and was to leave for Sydney to-day, March 1, will join the cruiser Canberra as Flag-Captain and Chief Staff Officer to Rear-Admiral W. N. Custance, who is to succeed Rear-Admiral R. H. C. Lane-Poole in command of the Australian Squadron in April.

Captain Patterson is 44, and has been 31 years in the Navy. He was sub-lieutenant during the War of torpedo-boat No. 32 and the torpedo-gunner on the gunboat Jason, and lieutenant in the cruiser Lowestoft and the flotilla leader Saumarez up to February, 1918, when he was selected to specialize in gunnery. His ships as gunnery officer included the King George V, in the Mediterranean, the cruiser Dauntless (to which he made the world cruise of 1923-24), and the battle-cruiser Hood. As a commander from 1928 to 1933 he was squadron gunnery officer in the 1st Battle Squadron and executive officer of the Kent, flagship in China. He has since commanded H.M.S. Folkestone in China and the Ellingham and Hawkins, flagships of the Reserve Fleet.

### FLEET MEDICAL OFFICER

Surgeon-Captain A. E. Malone has been appointed to H.M.S. Nelson for duty as Fleet Medical Officer in succession to Surgeon-Captain E. St. G. S. Goodwin, and will be relieved by that officer as naval health officer in the Plymouth Command. Surgeon-Captain Malone, who has been over 25 years in the Navy, was medical officer during the War of the gunboat Thistle in China, and also at Pembroke Dockyard and hospital. He was medical officer of the cruiser Capetown on the American and West Indies Station from 1924 to 1927, naval health officer in the Nore Command from 1927 to 1930, and assistant to the Medical Director-General, Admiralty, from 1930 to 1934.

### COMMAND OF THE ZULU

Commander J. S. Crawford, late of the Naval Equipment Department, Admiralty, has assumed command of the Zulu, one of the new Tribal class destroyers, fitting out at the works of Alexander Stephen and Sons, Govan, and due for completion in April. Except for his two years at the Admiralty, Commander Crawford has served in torpedo craft continuously since 1923, and has commanded the Sirdar in China, the Waterhen in the Mediterranean, the Watchman in the Home Fleet, and reserve destroyers at Rosyth. He was sub-lieutenant of the destroyer Windsor during the latter months of the War.

### MERCHANT SHIP SIGNALLING

Extracts from the quarterly returns of signalling practice between 11. M. ships and British merchant vessels for the quarter ended September 30, 1937, show that 1,431 successful exercises were carried out, compared with 1,117 for the previous quarter and 1,267 for the corresponding period of 1936. The recent activity of the destroyer flotilla is reflected in the table of merit, in which these flotillas take five out of the six places. The 1st Flotilla, Mediterranean, and 128 successful exercises; the 2nd Flotilla, Home Fleet, 84; the 3rd Flotilla, China, 70; the 4th Flotilla, Home Fleet, 61; and the 5th Flotilla, Mediterranean, 60, the same total as the cruiser flotilla, en route to China.

## BRITISH STEAMER STOPPED

Chuen Chow Boarded  
By Japanese

En route from Macao to Hongkong, the s.s. Chuen Chow was stopped at 9.30 a.m. yesterday morning by Japanese destroyer No. 23, which has been cruising in South China waters for some time. Six men—a lieutenant, two petty officers, and three sailors—boarded the passenger vessel, while the destroyer lay 150 yards off the starboard bow, its guns trained upon the defenseless Chuen Chow. After a search had been made of the ship and its cargo, the Japanese lieutenant in charge spent a full twenty minutes inspecting very carefully all the ship papers.

Captain Thomas Brown, commander of the Chuen Chow, stated that the Japanese wished to ascertain the ownership of the vessel. "Luckily," he said, "the Chuen Chow has always been British-owned." Captain Brown went on to say that all Chinese-owned passenger vessels were being confiscated as well as those which had been Chinese-owned but had been transferred to British ownership at the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities. "Several ships," he continued, "had already been seized by the Japanese."

Chinese passengers, particularly those crowded into the second and third class accommodations, were quite nervous as the mounted Japanese stalked about on their tour of inspection. The first class passengers were both angry and curious as they edged on to the bridge to watch the lieut-in-charge go over the ship's papers.

### PASSENGERS' STORY

A passenger describing the incident said: "I was standing at the rail when a steward pointed out a smudge on the horizon. As we got closer we could see it was a warship. A few minutes later a launch put out and headed towards us, while the warship, which we could now see was Japanese, began signalling. We heave to and the Japanese boarded the ship, rudely pushing their way through the crowded third class on inspection of cargo. Our British officers fumed quietly but very noticeably as the boarding party then peremptorily took charge of the bridge and the ship papers."

"I was more amused than frightened by the Japanese boatswain who kept springing to the rail to answer semaphore signals from the destroyer. When the Japanese were departing the tension was relieved by the antics of one sailor who got separated from his party. The Japanese launch had moved to the other side of our ship, but he seemed to think it had left him behind. While the destroyer tooted furious signals and the men in the launch shouted in Japanese, the little sailor ran around and around in the interior of the ship. Finally sighting his comrades from the first class deck, he swarmed over the rail and tumbled into the launch amid peals of laughter, slightly edged with nervousness."



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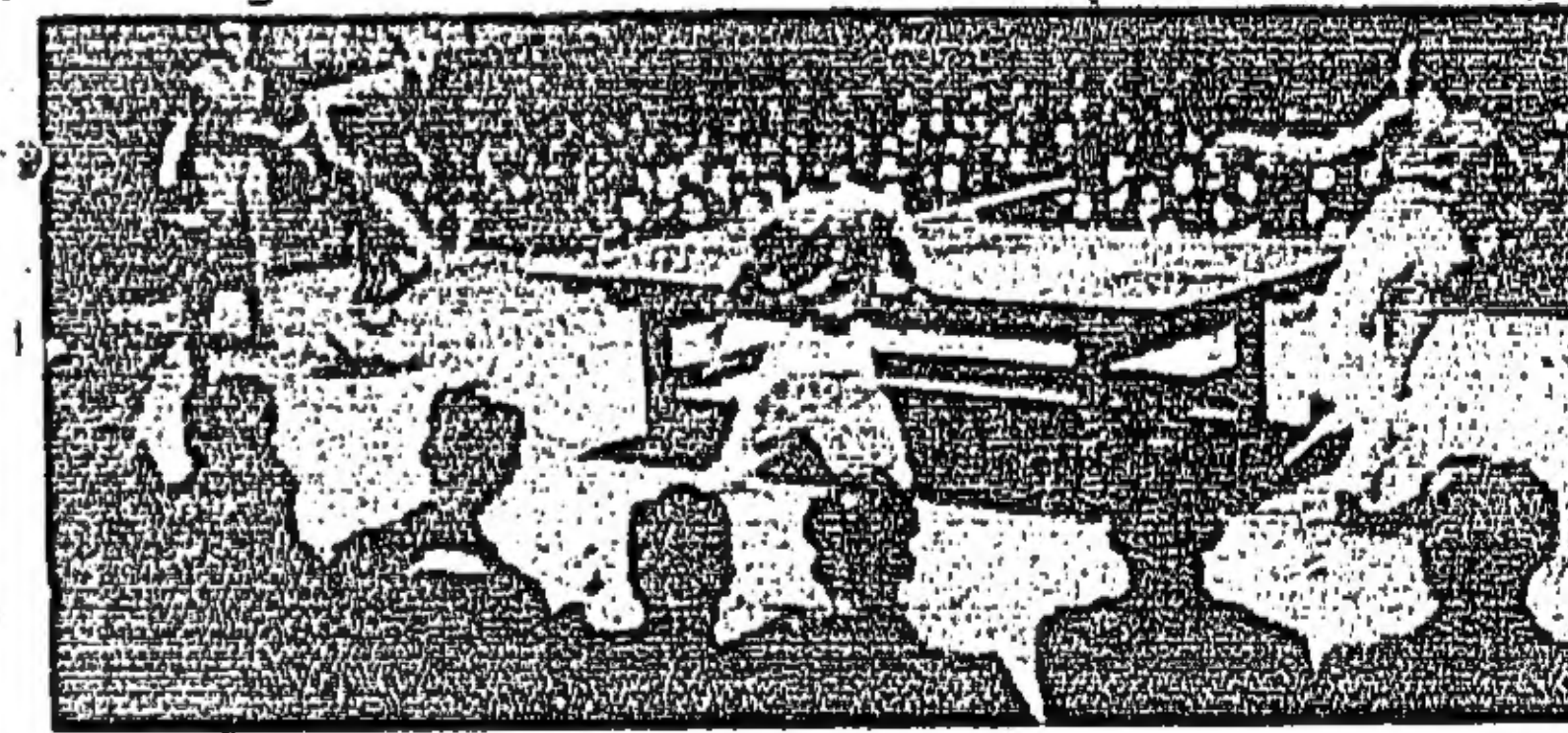
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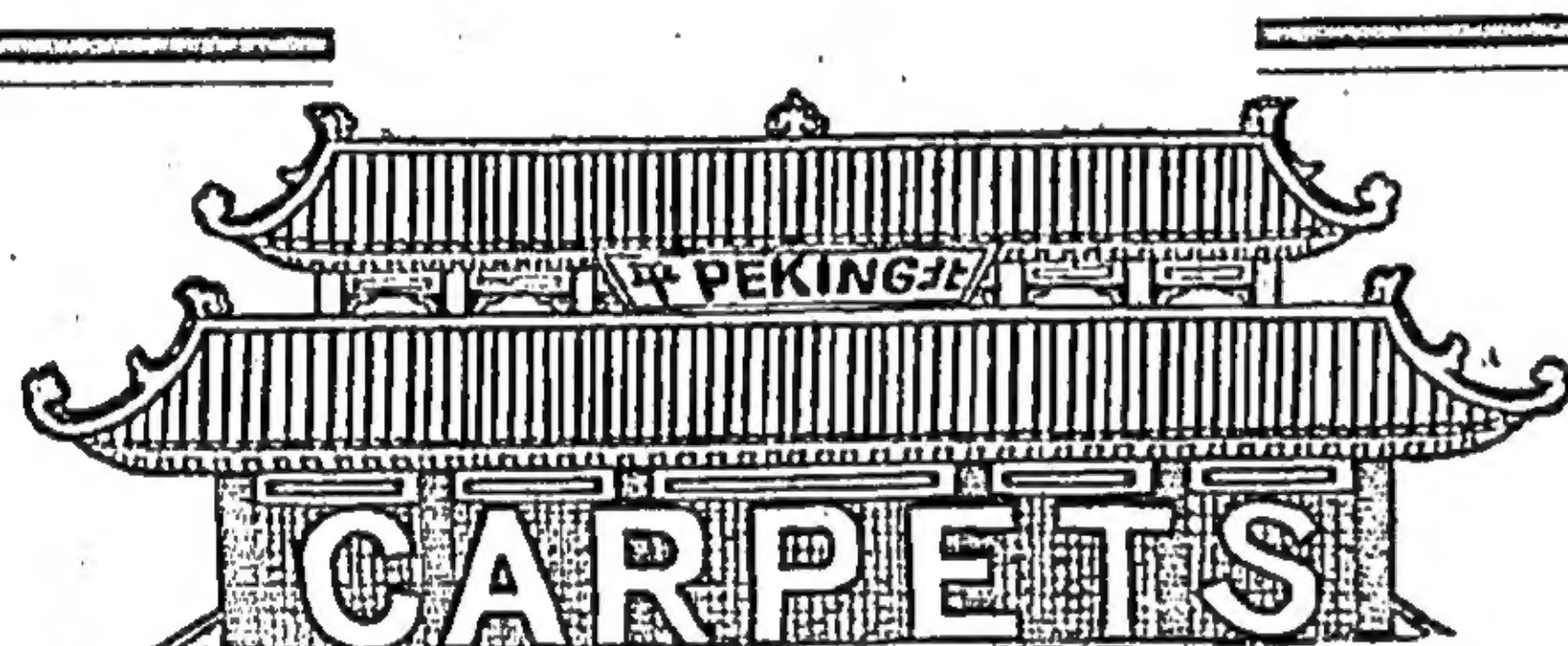
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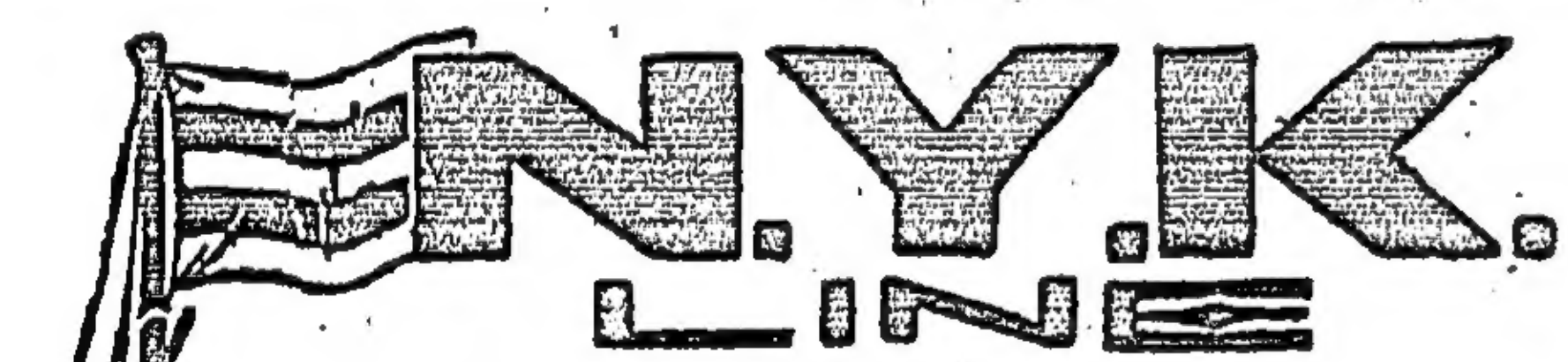
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### MR. MISKIN TAKES PULSE OF BUSINESS

The annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is much more than an opportunity for presenting shareholders with a statement of its financial achievements in the course of twelve months: it is the occasion for an authoritative and searching analysis of political, economic and financial conditions in the Far East—that part of the world which has become so great a factor in matters affecting the welfare of the universe. Thus Mr. Miskin's speech on Saturday as chairman of this powerful institution, was, like those of his predecessors, of special significance. Not only did it give a well balanced assessment of the forces which influenced, and in many ways directed, the fortunes of commerce, industry, politics and finance in the Orient during 1937, but it essayed a tentative, conservatively phrased, yet highly important prediction for the coming year.

Mr. Miskin did his best to adopt a cheerful tone, and his optimism, if a little strained, will be welcomed and applauded, for the necessity of building up the morale of a business community through confidence is as great as when dealing with front line soldiers. To Mr. Miskin, the chief hope of establishing stability in the life of the Far East is the early conclusion of the present war in China. This view will be thoroughly endorsed by all thinking people. But the speaker offered practically no glimmer of hope of this much-desired situation materialising, and he was forced back on the defensive. "The political barometer is still too low to warrant a forecast of fine weather for merchants in the near future. In Central China the channels of foreign trade are now affected as never before since the opening of the treaty ports. Yet, may I be so bold as to suggest, that for this very reason the catastrophe is perhaps magnified in the eyes of many. If, as seems likely, the Yangtze Valley continues to suffer throughout the spring and summer, the effect on trade in general will naturally be serious but there will be adjustments. A loss here will become a gain there, and I do not think it necessary to be too despondent."

The truth of this has been very much substantiated in Hongkong during the past year. The war has brought prosperity to the Colony. But it is of a superficial type, and by its very nature is dangerous, for not only does it exist at the expense of the ports of China, but it depends for its sustenance on the continuance of abnormal conditions. Reaction must follow. The longer it is delayed, the more depressing and widespread

# A GREAT SOLDIER

## Fights Grimmiest Battle of Life

GENERAL JOHN JOSEPH PERSHING is the last of the military leaders of the Great War. Foch, Haig, Hindenburg, French, Ludendorff, Petain—names that conjure memories of mighty battles of two decades ago—have all preceded him in the last great battle with an enemy that always conquers—Death. He is reported to be slowly sinking.

GENERAL PERSHING was the only one of the great military leaders of the world who retained his command throughout the struggle.

His military career dates back to 1886, the year he was graduated from West Point. Commissioned as a second lieutenant in the cavalry, he served in this rank for six years, fighting in the Indian wars and later serving as military instructor at the University of Nebraska.

The Spanish American War found him at sea in Cuba, but few had ever heard of him until August, 1899, when he was sent to the Philippines, to put down the Moro insurrection.

HE was still only a captain, but he quickly won fame by his stirring campaigns against the Moros; a fierce and restive tribe of Mohammedans that had defied Spanish rule for centuries. President Roosevelt complimented him in a message to Congress.

He went to Russia as a military observer for the United States in the Russo-Japanese war; he served on the Mexican border; he led the expeditionary forces that chased Villa into the interior after the Columbus raid. Then, at the age of 37, President Wilson selected him as the man to lead the nation's armies in the greatest war of all time.

THE son of a village store-keeper, who later became the postmaster, Pershing was born at LaCade, Mo., on Sept. 13, 1860. He wanted to be a lawyer, but when burglars robbed the post office, and the family savings had to be given over to make up the loss, he got an appointment to West Point.

"Guess there won't be another shot fired for the next 100 years," he said "but I'll get an education at the academy anyway."

The army was his life. He gave it everything he had and it gave him everything he got—education, fame and, strangely enough, a bride.

His belated romance—he was then 44 years of age—began one day in June, 1904, when Miss Frances Warren, daughter of

may be its effects. Reason will favour Mr. Miskin's conclusion that the most desirable basis of trade is the peace of the Orient. How to obtain that peace and how Hongkong can make its contribution towards it, is the logical question which follows. The Bank chairman very broadly hinted that he felt early intervention by the foreign powers in Shanghai would have averted any violation of the neutrality of the International Settlement, and one wonders whether the same principle, applied to the situation in China generally, would provide the solution. There are big issues at stake, but at the moment they appear to be based almost exclusively on self-interest. If the world, whose life is vitally influenced by prevalent conditions in the Far East, could substitute universal co-operation and disinterestedness for self-interest, possibly the Sino-Japanese conflict, with its distressing effect upon the welfare and happiness of so vast a proportion of the world, would find a much speedier and more satisfactory ending.—S. A. G.

Senator Warren of Wyoming, was reading in the newspapers of Captain Pershing's gallant exploits in the far away Philippines. She expressed a desire to meet the hero, although she was only half his age.

The opportunity came that winter when Captain Pershing returned to Washington. After an introduction by her father, he took her to a dance at Fort Myer, and that night they danced every dance together. In January they were married, President and Mrs. Roosevelt attending the ceremony. Four children, three girls and a boy, were born to this union.

NOT until 1906, when he was 46 years of age and had spent twenty years in the service, did Pershing rise above the rank of captain. In September of that year, as a reward for his gallant campaign against the Moros, President Roosevelt jumped over the heads of 862 officers who had seniority claims, and made him brigadier general. Immediately the howl went up in Congress that President Roosevelt had played politics because Pershing was Senator Warren's son-in-law. Pershing kept grimly silent.

Fate was unkind to him, but long years in the army enabled him to bide his sorrows under the stoicism that is military. His troop was mounted and he himself was on his horse ready to depart on one of his expeditions against the Moros when one day an orderly brought him a message that his mother was dead.

Transferred to Mexican border service in 1915, he went to El Paso to make arrangements for a home, temporarily leaving Mrs. Pershing and their four children in the Presidio at San Francisco. Again an orderly came to him with a message—a message telling him that the Presidio had been destroyed by fire during the night and that his wife and three of his children were dead.

BUT fate, seemingly trying to atone for her cruelty toward him in the past, gave him in 1917 the opportunity to inscribe his name beside those of Washington and Grant and other famous generals in the nation's history. How well he mastered that opportunity when President Wilson sent him to command the American Expeditionary Forces in France is a matter of history.



GENERAL JOHN PERSHING

The War in Europe had dragged on for nearly three years, the German were beating at the doors of France. Before him was a mission that would try the soul of any man.

On June 8, 1917, General Pershing and his staff arrived in England. A British band was playing "The Star Spangled Banner" when he docked at Liverpool, and in London he was feted by King George. France, too, received him almost as a blessing straight from heaven when he stepped ashore at Boulogne on June 13, symbolising the millions of America's sons who would follow. In Paris next day "Vive l'Amerique!" roared the greeting as the bands played, thousands cheered and all Paris reeled with joy.

As the highest honour that France could bestow upon him, they permitted him to kiss the sword of Napoleon, which had lain in its case, untouched by human hands, since the days of Louis Philippe. They took him next to the tomb of Lafayette and upon that tomb he laid a wreath of American Beauty roses in silence.

In those hectic days when the developments of a single hour might have turned the course of the world, Pershing was fighting with his back to the wall—not against the Germans, but against the British and French commands, who wanted to rush the raw oncoming American divisions almost at straight into their armies. He stood out firmly for a distinct American army of his own making; never, he said, would he send American boys into that slaughter without first giving them the benefit of all the training he could. Pershing held his ground and won.

On March 28, 1918, General Pershing made history when he went to General Foch and put all of America's resources at the latter's disposal.

WHAT General Pershing said to Foch that day you may read in the Library of Congress at Washington, for a copy of his offer, written in the General's own handwriting, is framed there:

"I have come to say to you that the American people would hold it a great honour for our troops were they engaged in the present battle. I ask it of you in my name and that of the American people.

"There is at this moment no other question than that of fighting. Infantry, artillery, aviation—all that we have—are yours to dispose of as you will. Others are coming who will be as numerous as may be necessary. I have come to say to you that the American people would be proud to be engaged in the greatest battle of history."

Pershing had found Foch in the latter's headquarters in a little house screened by the trees near Clermont. The lines faded from the grizzled old Frenchman's worried face as the unexpected offer fell from Pershing's lips and, so the story goes, he threw both arms around him and kissed him time and again.

Pershing went home in 1919, with the last division to leave France. New York received him that day like a returning Caesar. But it didn't turn his head one bit. He was still the same modest "Black Jack" Pershing of the cavalry.

## WHAT IS YOUR PHOBIA?

### By A Medical Man

MOST people are scared by the word "phobia." They hear of Smith, who has claustrophobia, and will never use a lift because he dreads being in a confined space; of Jones, who has agoraphobia, and is afraid of walking along a crowded street; of Brown, who insists on touching every lamp-post he passes; of Robinson, who becomes a trembling wreck on finding himself in the same room as a cat; and they come to the not unnatural conclusion that a phobia is the first step that leads to the padded cell.

It would be nearer the truth to say that our phobias are frequently our most treasured possessions. In that they give us the charm and individuality that earn us the love and esteem of our fellows.

No one is completely sane. We are all a little mad on some point, even if it is only a conviction that we could, if we wished, write a successful novel or govern the country far better than those elected to this onerous task. Sanity is a very overrated quality, and if you doubt me, try to visualise how utterly boring a man would be if he were completely sane.

### Playing Tricks with Time

Because we are human we do constantly allow ourselves to slip from the rigid control of perfect sanity. Many of the most delightful people are chronically unpunctual, which simply means they have a phobia about time. Sub-consciously they resent the passing years that rob them of youth and vitality and bring them nearer to the grave. So they smother their fear by ignoring time as much as possible.

Another extremely charming trait is extravagance. Paradoxically enough, this is usually caused by a fear of poverty. Extravagant people so hate the idea of being poor that they

spend frantically in the endeavour to create the illusion they are rich. Admittedly, the phobia often has disastrous results, and hurries the victims into the poverty they loathe; but in innumerable cases it acts as a powerful incentive to work harder and so actually brings about the desired state of wealth.

Let us, then, look upon our phobias as being minor symptoms of that slight lack of balance which afflicts all of us. At the same time, we must face the fact that phobias are not all so pleasant as those already mentioned, and that any phobia is capable of developing to such an exaggerated state that it becomes a definite challenge to sanity.

### Too Clean

For instance, a man may have a bit of phobia about cleanliness. He invariably has a bath night and morning, and washes his hands several times during the day, being genuinely upset if for any reason he is unable to adhere to his routine.

That is perfectly in order. But suppose he develops a definite fear that, unless he constantly washes himself, germs will settle on his hands and he will infect all his friends with disease. Suppose he still further protects himself by wearing gloves all day, long to prevent the germs reaching his skin. Then it becomes a mild form of insanity, and unless cured by treatment in an institution might lead to delusions of all kinds.

That, incidentally, was the actual experience of a bank clerk I knew. Fortunately he had the good sense to go voluntarily to a mental hospital, and soon recovered his balance.

Another common phobia is the folie de doute—doubting foolishness. These people who cannot make up their minds, who are incapable of coming to a decision and then abiding by it, are a sore trial to themselves and their families. They are the people who spend hours in a shop, fray the assistants' nerves, and then walk out without making a purchase. When one remembers that indecision, lack of concentration, and changeability are the chief characteristics of mental deficiency, it is clear that sufferers from folie de doute should make every effort to bring their wandering wits under better control.

Yet it is quite a usual thing for a person to acquire a baseless fear of some little detail and be unable to overcome it, even though the brain may be keen and active in other ways.

I know the managing director of a big business who goes through agonies of doubt every evening when he shuts his office up to go home. He can never be certain he has locked the safe. He gets to the door of his room, goes back and tries the safe, gets out into the street and then has to hurry back to assure himself that when he tried the door previously he really did lock it, and so on. He is perfectly aware of the foolishness of his conduct, but that makes no difference. When all is said and done, who is to say what is real and what is illusory in this life of ours? Not one of us is able to satisfy all the desires that would make of existence a perfect thing. So our subconscious minds come to our rescue and manufacture for us those phobias that protect us from our gravest fears or grant us the wishes for which we most ardently hope. So long as they keep within reasonable bounds, our phobias are nothing worse than the pretty fairy tales our mothers used to tell us to sweeten the days of our childhood.



# KING CAROL DEPRIVES BROTHER OF

## £44,000

### 'Obey—Or Lose Estates'

**Kitzbühel.**  
**EX-PRINCE NICHOLAS OF RUMANIA**, stripped of his rank and exiled eight months ago because he refused to give up marriage to a commoner, has been forbidden by his brother, King Carol, to export £44,000 with which he planned to build a home for himself and wife in Italy.

King Carol also warned his brother that if he disobeyed his estates in Rumania might be confiscated.

The King's command, in curt phrases, was given in a letter delivered to the ex-prince to-day in his lonely villa two miles from Kitzbühel, Austrian winter sports centre. The Queen-Mother, ill in the Cotroceni Palace outside Bucharest, denies rumours about the parting of her two sons.

It had been stated that at the height of their quarrel eight months ago Nicholas seized a revolver and attempted to shoot King Carol. Their mother threw herself between them, receiving the shot intended for the King.

#### RUMOURS DENIED

The Queen-Mother, in her letter, states that that was not true, adding that the quarrel was provoked by Mme. Lupescu, who thought she had been snubbed by Nicholas's wife, dark-haired twenty-nine-year-old Elena Dimitrescu.

She continued: "The two brothers disagreed and parted, also on unfriendly terms. But even my short-tempered son (Nicholas) never lifted his hand against his brother. We are not savages!"

## Men Still Run This Men's World, Avers Mme. Tabouis

How many times have you read news stories of secret European politics, international intrigues, as revealed by Mme. Genevieve Tabouis? For fourteen years her political column in the Paris *L'Oeuvre* has been quoted in other papers all over the world.

Have you wondered what kind of woman she is? Let me tell you. I have just spent an hour with her, writes Mary Welsh in the *Daily Empire*.

Approaching from a distance, shaking hands, she seems like a small, compact nonentity. You notice her pale face, pale blue eyes, marcelled grey hair, absence of lipstick. You notice her smart black suit, the pearls on her fingers and on her black velvet bodice. You think, "A timid little thing, up from some country town for the day."

You don't feel her power until she begins to speak of Hitler, of Abyssinia, Anthony Eden, munitions—as other women chatter of sauce recipes and new hats.

One night she scribbled, "Hitler is going to land troops in Morocco." The next day the French Navy began concentrating forces there, and what might have been turned into a war was averted.

Mme. Tabouis has used her woman's talent for collecting gossip

## Bradman's Physique Disappoints Visitor

**Sydney, Jan. 21.**  
The Canadian Empire Games athletes say they are disappointed with Don Bradman—but only as far as his physique is concerned. They expected to see someone weighing around 14 stone, and like Babe Ruth in appearance.

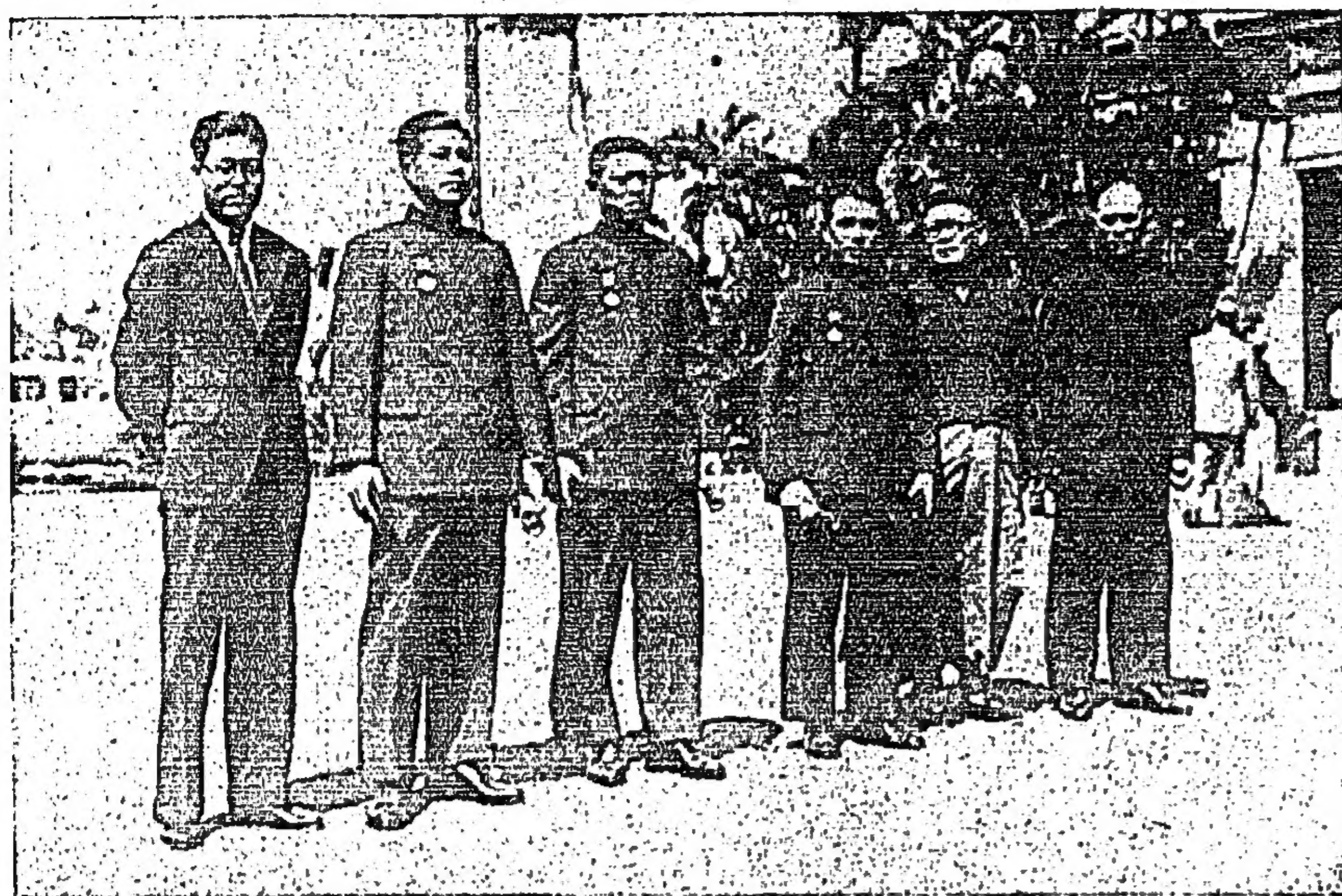
"I doubt whether Bradman would be much above lightweight limit," said Don Rowand, manager of the boxing and wrestling squad.

"Still, I guess it's a case of valuable goods being done up in a small parcel."

The Canadians cannot understand the keen interest of Australians in cricket.

Compared with their baseball it was drab, too much time being spent in fielding changes and "batters" not making any attempt to hit the ball, they said.

"If the officials agree, we'll play an exhibition game of baseball in Sydney to show exactly what we mean," Mr. J. H. Crocker, athletic coach offered.



MEMBERS OF THE CREW of the British steamer Hopsang, who received Gallant Conduct medals from His Excellency the Governor for heroism in connection with the wreck of the ship last year.

## Inspectors For Crown Colonies?

### SIR FRANK SWETTENHAM'S SUGGESTION

**London, Feb. 8.**  
A SUGGESTION that the "French plan of travelling inspectors, say one or two for each group of Crown Colonies, who would visit each Colony in turn and give to the authorities they visited the benefit of experience gained in the various departments of the best managed colonies" might be usefully adopted in the British Empire is made by

Sir Frank Swettenham, best known of Malayan ex-Governors, in a letter to the *Daily Telegraph* to-day.

Sir Frank refers to the recently published report of the Commission of Enquiry into the Trinidad riots last year, and suggests that "this was not the first time that there was trouble with the native population in Trinidad."

Agreeing with the Commission's finding that the conduct of the Administration was lamentably weak at the critical moment, he suggests that such troubles might be avoided in future by the method he proposes and declares that "it is extraordinary how ignorant the Government authorities in one Crown Colony are of the methods pursued with success in another where the conditions are practically the same."

#### "SACKING" EXCHANGE

In retaliation for the expulsion of twelve Austrians from Yugoslavia last December, the Austrian Government recently ordered twelve Yugoslavs to leave Austria. The Yugoslavs are said to have acted against the interests of Austria.

## Diamonds In World Increase

**London, Feb. 15.**  
World turnover in diamonds, 1937, is estimated here at about £9,500,000 compared with £8,250,000 in 1936 and a mere £1,500,000 in 1932.

Thus 1937 was a good year, though the Diamond Trading Company, Ltd., which handles diamond sales (known in the trade as "rights") for the South African producers, factually suspended its "rights" in the closing months of the year in order to prevent the price from falling.

But diamond shareholders have no reason to complain of the year just closed. Their giant De Beers not only paid off last year the heavy arrears on its preferred stock but also resumed dividends on the deferred. De Beers shares are once again among the most active international counters, attracted almost daily back and forth between London, Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam.

However, demand for the stones, from the United States, is the main support of the diamond market, and that demand is slow at present, according to reports.

Trade circles are studying closely Mr. Roosevelt's budget, trying to guess whether or not it spells "inflation." If it does, then demand for diamonds as a "hedge" against inflation will spring up almost over night. If that fails, then the revival—if it follows the traditional pattern—will come from a widespread demand for diamonds as an "investment," what the economists call a "store of value." In the diamond cycle, buying for ladies comes last.—*United Press*.

#### COOKING EDICT FACES GIRLS

**Hobart, Australia.**  
Tasmanian high school girls must choose between higher education or cooking. When they reach the age of 13 and do not intend to study for higher examinations, they are placed automatically in courses of domestic training.

## EMPIRE NEWS

### TYPHOID CASES IN CALCUTTA

**Calcutta.**  
Following the outbreak of typhoid fever at a Calcutta hotel, five persons have been found to be suffering from the disease, and there are 21 suspected cases.

There are no victims among the British delegates to the Indian Science Congress, all of whom were inoculated before their arrival.

**Engineer's Death.**—The death has occurred at Shillong, Assam, of Mr. B. L. Harvey, deputy chief engineer of the Eastern Bengal Railway.

**Calcutta Riot.**—Several constables were injured in a riot at Bellinaghat, a suburb of Calcutta. The trouble occurred while cows were being taken to a slaughter-house.

**Maharaja's New Move.**—At a durbar held in honour of his 76th birthday, the Maharaja of Cochin announced that he was entrusting the administration of certain departments to a Minister for Rural Development, who would be nominated from among the elected members of the Legislative Council. He states that his aim is to associate the citizens of the State directly with the Government.

**Bombay "Black-Out."**—Bombay had its first "black-out" to test the efficacy of such a step in the event of an air-raid. It was only a moderate success as many householders did not co-operate.—*Reuter*.

### FASCIST LEADER'S CAMPAIGN

**Montreal.**  
Mr. Adrien Arcand, Editor of the daily French journal *L'Illustration*, and leader of the Canadian Fascist party, announced that he would start a nation-wide campaign next spring to enlist new members for the party.

The party already boasts a membership of 80,000 in five provinces.

Mr. Aberhart, the Premier of Alberta, and his Cabinet colleagues have carried on an intensive and bitter campaign to retain the seat at Lethbridge, vacated by Mr. Hans Wight, the Social Credit member. Polling took place recently.

**Damages for British Firm.**—The British music publishing house of Francis, Day and Hunter has been awarded £210 in the Ontario High Court. The suit was brought against Twentieth Century Fox Corporation and Famous Players Corporation for infringing the copyright title of the song, "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo," by giving a motion picture the same name.

### STATE'S RECORD GOLD YIELD

**Perth.**  
The gold yield of Western Australia for 1937 totalled 1,000,047 ounces, valued at £8,743,705. This is the first time production has exceeded 1,000,000 ounces since 1915.—*Reuter*.

#### RELATED HONOUR TO NEWSMAN

**Shirley, Me.**  
Forty-one years after his death, a tablet has been dedicated to Edgar Wilson (Bill) Nye, country newspaperman who was the Will Rogers of his day.

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## RADIO BROADCAST

### St. David's Day Marked By Welsh Programme

#### BEETHOVEN CONCERTO

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 kc/s, 9.52 mc/s. per second. U.K.T.

12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 A Welsh Programme.

The Leek—Selection (Middleton). The London Palladium Orch. cond. by Richard Cross. Praise of Wales (Gellionydd and Wyllyd); The Gipsy (Crwys). ... William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp accom. by Telynores Gwynnyll; Dear Wales (Roberts); The Village Spring (Roberts). ... Lella Megan (Contralto) with Piano accom. by T. Osborne Roberts; All Through the Night; March Of The Men Of Harlech (Welsh Air). ... Royal Mountain Ash Male Choir.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Barnabas Von Gezey and His Orchestra.

Poem (Fibich); Malaga (Rixner); Ragamuffin (Rixner); Pony (Rixner); Blue Skies (Rixner); Siciliana (Apollonio); Forget It, And Smile (Bohmelt); Pusztai (Mihely); Fresh Breezes (Borchert).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from The Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Speaker: T. Smith, Esq., Manager, Islington Corinthians.

2.15 Close down.

6.0-6.45 Chinese Programme.

6.45 London Relay—The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.

Leader, Frank Thomas; Conductor, Idris Lewis; Trevor Anthony (Bass); Orchestra: Selection, From the Welsh Hills (Idris Lewis); Trevor Anthony (Soprano); Orchestra: Breuddwyd Glyndwr (Williams); Y Marchog (Joseph Parry); Orchestra: Glyndwr (Maldwyn Price); Trevor Anthony: Parawdy; Can y Teithiwr; Y Cymro (Williams); Orchestra: The Hilarious Horn; Y Draig Goch (Thomson).

7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.35 New Variety.

Dance Orch.—Mind Your Step!—Fox-Trot; When The Lads Are Off To Dance. ... Otto Dobrindt and His Piano Symphonists; Vocal—Climbing Up The Golden Stairs (arr. Hill Billies); In The Moonlight's Glow (The Hill Billies). ... The Hill Billies; Humorous—Grub Handley-Frankau; Music—Grub Handley-Frankau; ... Margaret Lloyd and Winterbottom; Piano—China Doll Parade (Zamecnik); 52nd Street—Selection. ... Patricia Rossborough.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Military Band Music. Mechanized Infantry—Quick March (McBain) (Aldershot Command Marchlight). ... 1938.

8.45 Welsh Programme. Y Delyn Aur. ... Rhondda Welsh Glee Singers; Dafydd Y Garreg Wen (arr. Osborne Roberts); Y Bwthyn Dach To Gwellt (arr. Osborne Roberts). ... Lella Megan (Contralto); Savoy Welsh Medley (arr. Somers). ... New Mayfair Orchestra; Cywdd Y Gof (Gwilym Hirallt); Breuddwyd (David Nannglyn); William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp accom. by Telynores Gwynnyll; Ar Hyd Y Nos: My Little Welsh Home (Songs of the Welsh Mountains—Williams). ... Lella Megan (Contralto); Mentrâ Gwen; Yu Iach I Ti Cwmri. ... Evan Williams (Tenor).

9.15 London Relay—Great Scientific Discoveries: The Breath of Life by Jonquil Antony.

The story of Antoine Lavoisier and his discovery of oxygen. Production by John Richmond.

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9.15 London Relay—British Industries Fair, 1938.

Kenneth Adam interviews overseas visitors.

9.30 London Relay—The News

9.50 Beethoven—Concerto No. 3 in C Minor, Op. 37.

Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.20 Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano). Dreams (Collin Schubert); Happiness (Holly Schubert); Near The Beloved (Goethe-Schubert); Laughing And Weeping (Ruckert-Schubert). ... Piano accom. by Gerald Moore.

10.34 D'Indy—Suite For Flute, Violin, Viola, Violoncello And Harp. Op. 91.

Played by the Quintette Instrumental De Paris.

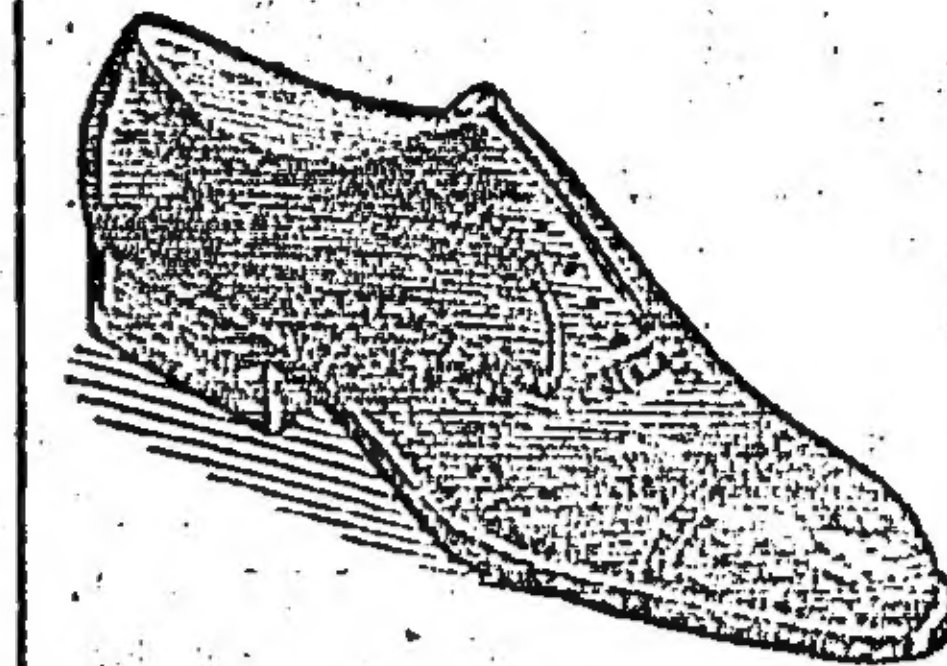
10.50 Mendelssohn—Fingal's Cave—Overture.

Played by St. Louis Symphony Orchestra cond. by Rudolph Ganz.

11.0 Close down.

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## Cantonese Strengthen Defences

### Growing Threat Of Invasion

**Canton, Feb. 26.**  
The growing threat of invasion has hurried the Kwangtung military authorities in their work of completing Canton defence measures. Fortified areas, into which foreigners and non-inhabitants may not pass, have been enlarged and strengthened. Foreigners wishing police passes for week-end trips to beauty spots or old monasteries are being politely told: "Sorry, but that is within a restricted zone." For years Shanghaiites have kept their riding horses in Tungshan, trotting out on Sunday afternoons into the countryside and wooded hills about White Cloud Mountain north-east of the city. But unfortunately for the equestrians, this whole region is now bustling with military activity. Overlooking Canton as they do, these quiet hills constitute a key-point for a Japanese attack overland. In guarding against such a contingency, the Cantonese soldiers have honey-combed the position with defence preparations. At the same time they are using the sheltered valleys as supply bases. One particular valley, hitherto filled during the summer with week-end vacationists, is now host to over a hundred armoured trucks and pieces of heavy artillery. In the villages near Canton, boys soldiers are busy making trenches and dug-outs at all strategic points. At daybreak these troops leave their barracks and scatter over the country in small working parties. As they march along in single file, their greenish-brown, bamboo-coloured uniforms blend into the terrain, making them indistinguishable from but a short distance. To aid in invisibility from the air many wear on their heads straw helmets, blotched with camouflaging masses of brown, green, and red. Though raw and untrained in military matters, these provincial soldiers are back at their own trade. They dig trenches with patience and vigour, under conditions at which European troops would

## BALKANS RECOGNISE ETHIOPIA

### As Conquered Italian State

**Ankara, Feb. 28.**  
Members of the Balkan Entente—Greece, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Turkey—decided to-day upon recognition of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia, according to a communiqué issued after the meeting of representatives of the Entente Powers.

The communiqué declared that representatives of the four Powers will be accredited to the King of Italy and Emperor of Abyssinia.

The meeting supported the Malta Agreement about the Dardanelles and reiterated a non-intervention policy in Spain.

The communiqué stated that there was complete agreement on all questions and expressed fidelity to the League of Nations.

The communiqué added that foreign intervention in the internal affairs of the Entente would not be tolerated.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

revolt. When finished the scarred earth is carefully covered with sticks of bamboo and rubbish, ingeniously arranged. Important sites are bomb-proofed with heavy concrete. The ring of fortifications that is being formed will completely encircle the city on its outskirts.

Closer to Canton the military authorities are finishing a span of pill boxes and machine-gun emplacements that are somewhat reminiscent of the famed "Hindenburg line." The construction is twelve-inch concrete with the top of the pill box projecting only about a foot above the level of the ground. Here again natural camouflage is used, and passers-by walk within several yards of them, unaware of their existence. Nowhere are preparations for a vulnerable to observation by Japanese aircraft.—*A Correspondent*.



# COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS START QUIETLY

## EIGHT MATCHES DECIDED ON THE FIRST DAY COMFORTABLE VICTORY FOR THE LO BROTHERS

(By "Abe")

The 1938 Grass-court Tennis Championships of the Colony started at the Hongkong C.C. courts yesterday afternoon rather quietly. Altogether, eight matches were played, five in the singles and three in the doubles, and of these only one went to the third set; the others were decided in two.

At such an early stage of the competitions, it is of course not to be expected that the ties would produce anything outstanding. Nevertheless, though on paper some of yesterday's matches promised some even tussles, expectations were not realized.

For instance, nobody would have thought that the doubles game between the veterans, M. K. and M. W. Lo, and the Canton pair of B. Szeto and D. K. Leung, would turn out to be such a one-sided affair. And yet this tie ended in a victory for the Lo brothers by 6-1, 6-0. No decision could have been more convincing than this. The match lasted approximately 20 minutes.

When one realises that Szeto and Leung are prominent players from Canton—the latter, I understand, is present champion of that city—one may be forgiven for thinking that the Lo brothers must have played a very high brand of tennis indeed to allow their formidable opponents only one game in two of the actual play. However, they were never extended and merely sailed along merrily to their victory without any undue effort.

### ARMY HOPES DASHED

One of the steepest pairs from the Chinese R.C.S. S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok, had to play three sets before they could get through against A.



W. A. Land

Warr and W. A. Land, of the Army. As a matter of fact, it was not until they had conceded the first set that the Chinese settled down to their usual steady play. Neither Kwok nor Liang could be said to be brilliant at any stage of the encounter, but their steadiness and their excellent retrieving prevailed in the end.

Land's prowess in other fields of sport is already well-known, but his match yesterday was, I think, his debut in competitive tennis in the Colony. He proved himself to be quite a useful player with a fastish service but his ground strokes have still to show considerable improvement before he can reach the forefront.

Warr was playing with a bandaged middle finger. How far this affected him I do not know, but I have certainly seen him play a better game both at Sookunpoo and at the Civil Service C.C.

### QUICK SINGLES

Except for one match, the singles were all decided quickly. S. A.

### Badcock Is Going To England

Adelaide, Feb. 16. Badcock, star South Australian batsman, has been pronounced fit and is definitely going to England with the Australian Test team. Earlier messages stated that he had failed to pass the doctor and his certificate of fitness had been held over.—*Reuter*.

Rumjahn, a former champion and runner-up last year, had some useful practice against Major F. T. Baines. He won the first set 6-1, but twelve games were needed before he could annex the second.

Perhaps the best tie was that in which A. Crawford defeated Marsland by 6-4, 6-4. Though he won in two sets, Crawford was made to fight all the way and there were some fine rallies in which both men shone in turn. Crawford, however, was less prone to make mistakes than his left-handed opponent.

E. F. Fincher entered the next round at the expense of Ma Nai-kwong. I had only a glimpse of this tie, but Ma struck me as a young player of considerable promise. He has a pleasing style, with a good drive on both wings. His misfortune was to meet "Teddy" at such an early stage of the competition. Leong Ping-chiu made short work of H. Y. Ho, winning without the loss of a single game. Leong proved master of Ho's half-ball tactics and beat the latter at his own game. F. V. Harrison also got through in convincing fashion.

Results of yesterday's matches:

### OPEN SINGLES

S. A. Rumjahn beat Major Baines 6-1, 7-5.  
F. V. Harrison beat P. S. Leong 6-1, 6-0.  
E. C. Fincher beat Ma Nai-kwong 6-1, 6-2.  
Leong Ping-chiu beat H. Y. Ho 6-0, 6-2.  
A. Crawford beat Marsland 6-4, 6-4.

### OPEN DOUBLES

M. K. and M. W. Lo beat B. Szeto and D. K. Leung 6-1, 6-0.  
S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok beat A. Warr and W. A. Land 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.  
Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung beat A. Chan and H. Chan 6-4, 6-1.

### TODAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—J. F. L. Smalley v. I. M. A. Razack; Cdr. R. H. Rump v. J. C. Poo; Tsui Wai-pui v. W. J. Skinner; Cheong Ping-yeung v. Tennis Wong; W. C. Hung v. Tonnle Wang.  
Doubles—G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. Wei Chung and Pang Oi-lam; H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce v. Losen Lew and Peter U; A. C. I. Bowker and W. M. Burton v. R. B. Bulpin and F. A. Fowler; Paul Kong and Lee Wai-long v. Ip Cho-pong and Lui Kwai-fan.

## SINGAPORE HOCKEY TEAM MAY TOUR JAVA

It is likely that a Singapore hockey eleven will leave on April 15 for a tour of Java at the invitation of the Java Hockey Association. Another invitation, extended by the Hongkong H.A., for the visit of either a Singapore or a Malaysian eleven for about the same time has had to be held over for the present.

Malaya's hockey ability is recognized over the Far East, and it is considered a great pity that rain caused the cancellation a while ago of a match on which all eyes in the Eastern hockey world were set—the meeting of Malaya and the Japanese Olympic eleven.

The Java tour should provide the local players with some excellent opposition, for it is on the cards that the Netherlands have followed the lead set by the mother country, Holland, which has the reputation of supplying a greater number of hockey players in proportion to population than any other country in the world.

Provisional arrangements for the tour comprise five games, the last of which will probably be against the whole of West Java, players being

drawn from Batavia, Buitenzorg, Bandung, Sourabaya and Samarang.

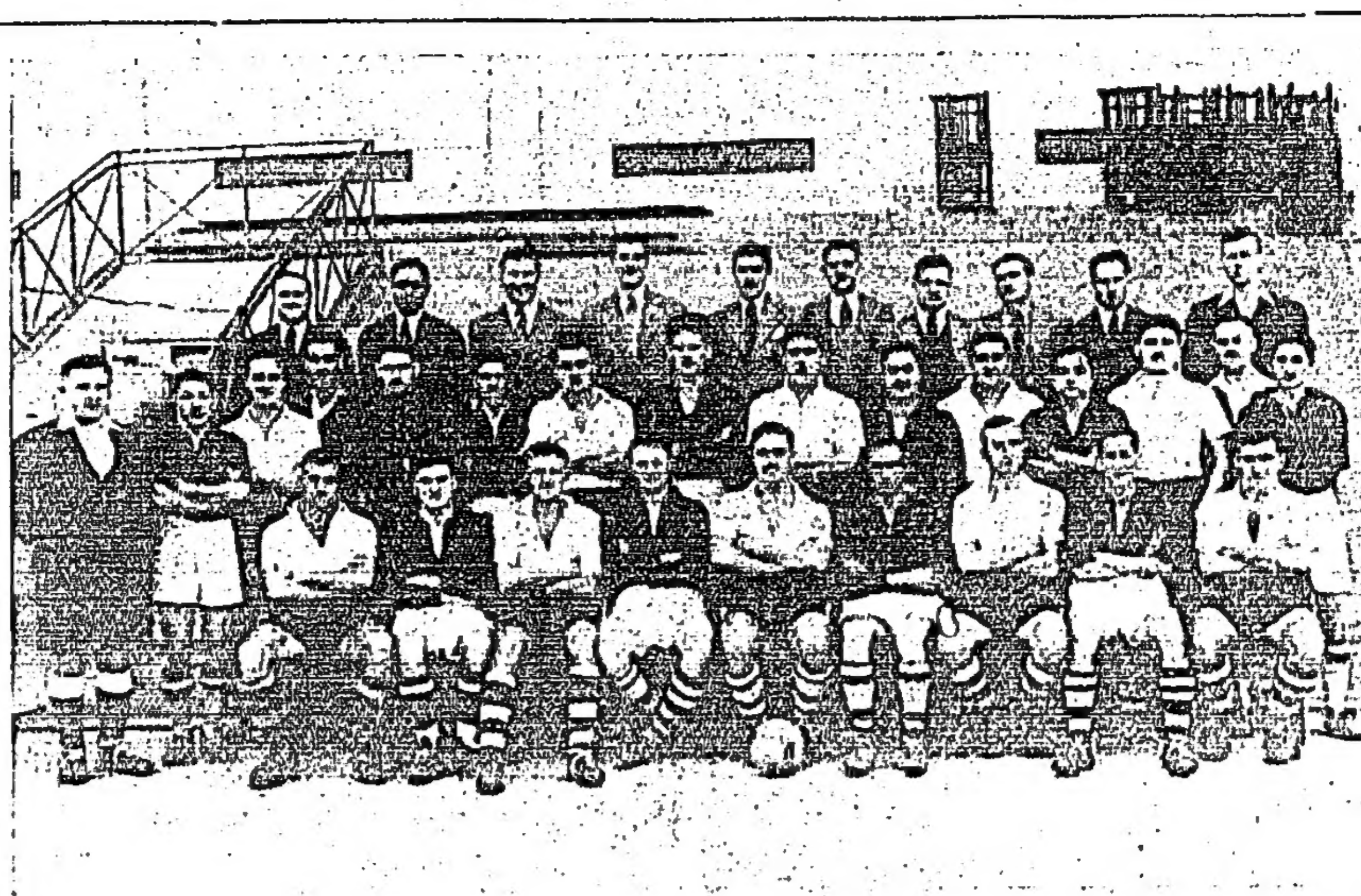
### A TEN DAYS' TRIP

The players will be away from Singapore for ten days, and all expenses in Java, with the exception, of course, of personal items—will be defrayed by the Java H.A.

More than thirty Singapore players—of whom who have taken part in State matches and trials—have been invited, and from the acceptance a touring side will be selected.

Leaving Singapore on April 15, the team will arrive in Batavia on Sunday, April 17, and play a match against Batavia.

Then will follow matches against Buitenzorg, Bandung and possibly one either against Samarang or Sourabaya or a combined eleven from those two districts.



Picture taken on Sunday of the Islington Corinthian and Colony football teams which met at Caroline Hill on Sunday. The tourists won the encounter by five goals to one. (Photo: King's Studio).

### Cricket Notes

By "R. Abbit"

## Hongkong C. C. And Indians In Close Game THREE LEAGUE MATCHES IN JUNIOR DIVISION

One felt last Saturday that, although there were only three League matches and those in the Junior Division, we were really getting back to cricket after that appalling spell of bad weather, and the pony business.

The most interesting game in the Senior Division was a non-league game between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Indian Recreation Club. The latter side batted first and Nazarin (23), Kitchell (20), A. R. Abbas (19), and Minu (10), played quite stout cricket. They were all of them hitting the ball very hard. Nazarin made some very nice shots until he hit right across one from Owen-Hughes. Abbas hit rather crickety fun as in the end they lost 7 wickets for 122 runs. N. Singh bowled very well for the Indians to take 7 wickets for 23. I was interested to notice that I. Ali was not playing for the second and I fancy he was the Ismail Ali who was given a try out in the first against the Hongkong Club and made 12 runs. I am particularly glad to see his promotion.

The Junior League last Saturday. Daniels, for the first time I think for a long while, failed and apart from 24 by H. E. Stran, a (who may now be considered as a veteran perhaps), Macgowan (16) and Warr (19) no-one did anything at all. The Civil Service were all out for 70 and K. M. Rumjahn cranked up a 61 and Barma 22. I am told that the I.R.C. won by 9 wickets in which case, H. T. Barma retired before they had won!—The rest seems to have been rather crickety fun as in the end they lost 7 wickets for 122 runs. N. Singh bowled very well for the Indians to take 7 wickets for 23. I was interested to notice that I. Ali was not playing for the second and I fancy he was the Ismail Ali who was given a try out in the first against the Hongkong Club and made 12 runs. I am particularly glad to see his promotion.

### A SURPRISE

The Army "A" team either had an off day or did not like the matting at Pokfulam as they were all out for 100, of which Northcott made 20, Calvert 22 and Gill 15. The rest did nothing. The University seem to have come on a lot, possibly owing to the advent of K. T. Loke. He made 39 while Teoh had 22 and Ling 21. Their total was 129. The most notable bowling feat was that of K. L. Ng whose figures read 12-2-42-7, a very excellent performance.

### H.K.C.C. WIN

Over at the Recreation ground I understand that Recoelo won the toss and put in the Hongkong Club second eleven. At first it looked as if they had done the right thing as Armstrong was bowled by the first ball of the match and three wickets were down for 10 runs in 33 minutes. However, Paterson played a very stout and dour innings of 34, while Mitchell forced things a bit, though he only got 13 and N. P. Fox, who only received 4 balls, hit a six and a four off two of them. It was left for V. C. Bond to play a good knock of 25 for the second top score, while D. S. Robb was not out with 18 to his credit when the innings was declared at 144 for 9. Alves bowled well to take 6 wickets for 23 runs. I am told that in his first spell of nine overs, he sent down three maidens and took three wickets for 10 runs.

When the Recoelo came to bat they had an excellent start from Soares and Noronha, who put up 40 for the first wicket, but then the first three wickets fell quickly, Xavier being run out by Armstrong with an excellent throw in which hit the stumps. This was the turning point of the game. After that it was more or less a procession. Wedehouse bowled very nicely (12.4-3-23-0). For the last 3.4 overs his analysis was 5 wickets with one maiden and two runs. However, one must not forget that he is an experienced bowler, although I fancy it was way back in 1920 when he represented the Colony. The Club won by 71 runs.

I am holding over three matches

### Ladies' Programme Next Week

It should be noted that the Ladies' Badminton programme arranged by the Club de Recreio will be held on the evening of Wednesday, March 9, and not to-morrow.

## Shelaeff Too Good In Manila Now Matched With Kid Vicente

Manila, Feb. 16. Manila will have to dig up some better welterweight boxing talent soon if it wants to keep Andre Shelaeff in the Philippines boxing kingdom.

Manila had barely heard of the 18-year-old Russian slugger when he arrived from Shanghai six months ago. Now he claims the welterweight championship of the Orient and looks much too good for any local opposition.

Neither Shelaeff nor his manager, Heinrich Seelig, are doing any talking about "new worlds to conquer," but the local boxing world believes they will sail for Hawaii or California unless a good challenger appears.

The present challengers all look considerably below Shelaeff's class. They are Young Alde, whom the Russian has defeated several times, Kid Vicente, Tiger Flowers and Rush Milling.

Vicente, who calls himself the Cebu Caveman, was scheduled to meet Shelaeff in December. He changed his mind a few days before the bout was to take place and is now definitely unpopular with the promoters who were forced to cancel the fight. However he has now fixed up to fight the champion on March 5.

Tiger Flowers returned recently from Singapore after a moderately successful campaign. He claims that Clever Henry, from whom Shelaeff won his title, was afraid to meet him when they were in Singapore together.

One Manila sports writer has suggested Shelaeff is already ripe for a trip to the United States to challenge such welterweights as the great Ceforino Garcia, who lost a close decision to world champion Barney Ross last year. Most persons believe, however, that the Russian boy needs much more experience before becoming worthy of meeting such talent.

Shelaeff declined to talk about rumours he plans to go to Honolulu for a bout with Kid Moro, former Oriental welter champion and now considered one of Hawaii's best fighters.

Shelaeff won the welterweight belt in January with a third-round knockout over Clever Henry, who had just returned from Australia with an impressive record including a victory over Tod Morg former world champion.

He defended his title February 5 in a "winner take all" bout with Henry, who claimed the previous knockout punch was lucky. Henry entered the ring obviously nervous in this second bout and lost a technical knockout in the second round. Shelaeff showed one of the most aggressive attacks in this bout Manila has seen in years.—*United Press*.

## HOW JAPANESE WON TENNIS TITLE

### Matsumoto Shows Brilliant Form In Manila Final

Manila, Feb. 23. For the first time during the 1938 International tennis tournament that ended last night at the Rizal Tennis Stadium, Matsumoto of Japan, number two ranking player from there, displayed the tennis that made him the second greatest star in the land of the rising sun. He played an extremely heady game and out-guessed Juan Ladaw, Jr., of FEU, in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1 and 7-5.

Many factors entered into last night's play. In the first place, Matsumoto played a remarkably steady game, driving deep to the corners and content for the greater part in waiting for Ladaw to err, which he did innumerable times.

On the other hand, Ladaw played by far the most unsteady game he has offered thus far in the tournament. He did not equal his brilliant performances against Tsuruta and L. Gavin. He missed the easiest of a whole, it goes without saying that he showed lack of competitive tennis, needing quite a bit more seasoning before he will be ready for the best invaders.

### BAD MISTAKE

In trying to out-volley Matsumoto he made a bad mistake. He left the net alone practically throughout, though it is a fact that toward the end, when he did try and come up, this style of play was effective. Ladaw's spots and only fell down through his own misdeeds.

To Ladaw goes a world of credit for not knowing when he was licked. Even when behind, 4-3 in the final set, and with the game score 40-15 with set point for the Japanese player, he refused to bow and deuced the set at 5-all. With game score again at 6-5 in favour of Matsumoto and trailing at set point, he deuced this game also after a brilliant rally that saw at least 25 or 30 returns by each player.

Boiling the facts down, Matsumoto's steady playing that bordered on the perfect, allowed the Filipino star to defeat himself through badly hit balls and poor judgment as far as attack goes.

The 11th game and crucial one, the real last stand of Ladaw, was a thriller. Matsumoto, opened with a sideline placement for a point and Ladaw followed with a service ace, making it 15-all. Matsumoto drove a ball over the baseline after a beautiful rally and Ladaw netted after another nice volley, making it 30-All. Every point of this particular spot in the match was most carefully played—and long-volley after long volley resulted, Ladaw dropped a pretty placement into the right-hand corner but missed at the net with another easy chance for the taking.

Matsumoto missed the sideline to deuce things up but the FEU boy fizzled an attempted smash as he backed up for a mid-court lob,

making it deuce, Matsumoto dropped a beautiful drive into the right and corner but was long on a baseline shot, deucing it once more.

Matsumoto again hit the corner with a dandy drive and the game ended when Ladaw missed a corner placement. The last and final game of the match saw the Filipino player erring four times, one being a netted backhand, two being shots that were over the baseline and the match point resulting from a missed attempt at the sideline.

### ROWDY SPECTATORS

The "undesirables" were again out in force and cheered errors and points alike, even going so far as to call the shots themselves. They voiced their disappointment and pleasure decidedly and undoubtedly bothered the game of both the principals by refusing to be silenced while the ball was in play.

After the match ended, Dr. Victor Buencamino, president of the PILTA, presented the cups to the victorious Japanese entries, the doubles having been won by the combination of Tsuruta and Matsumoto, the day before from Ampon and Carmona.

Amado Sanchez and Y. Tsuruta played sparkling tennis in the second set of their two-set exhibition match yesterday. Both hit the ball hard and exchanged long hard drives throughout the last three games. Tsuruta won the first set, 6-3, and Sanchez won the second set, 7-5.

Sanchez came from behind, 4-2, to win the second set. In the seventh, eighth and ninth games, he allowed Tsuruta only two more points and, 5-4, Tsuruta came back in the tenth game and tied the score at 5-5, but Sanchez was really hitting then and caught Tsuruta flat-footed many times in the last two games to win the set, 7-5.—*Manila Bulletin*.

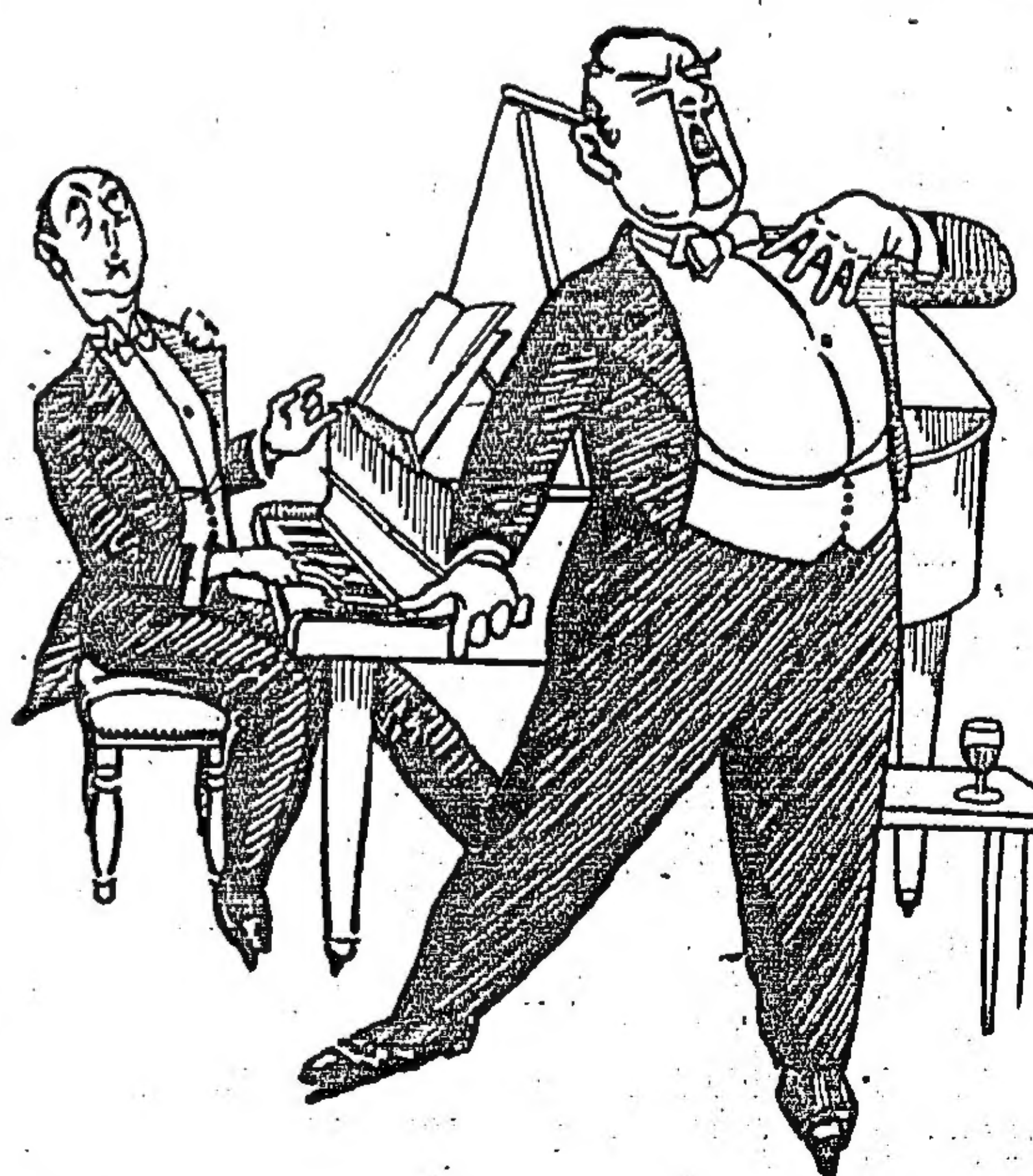
### Joe Davis is Still Champion

London, Jan. 31. When Joe Davis beat Horace Lindrum by 37 frames to 34 in the Gold Cup snooker match at Thurston's on Saturday he became champion of the tournament for the second successive year.

Davis insured himself of victory by winning the second frame 68-37 in the early session after taking the first 70-72 on the black. In the first game at night he played brilliantly to compile a break of 92, and before the session ended he had two more runs of 48. Lindrum had a break of 64 in the fourth game of this session.

Scores (Davis first): 79-72 (on the black), 68-37, 36-97, 48-98, 74-69, 66-99, 104-30, 51-94, 105-35, 28-109, 93-24.

## Successful Singers



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## HOCKEY TRIAL FOR ENGLAND

The following have been selected to represent England in a trial hockey match against the Royal Air Force on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground on Thursday at 4.45 p.m.: Dobson (R.E.); Guest (Radio) and Stuckey (Middlesex); Welton (R.E.); Brown (Police) and Robinson (R.A.F.); S. Fowler (C.B.A.), Howlett (Police), Divett (Club), Parker (Police), Bond (C.B.A.) and Dunne (Middlesex). Umpires, S. Mettam (R.E.) and S. McCormac (R.A.S.C.). England will play in white.

Committee Meeting

The meeting of the United Hockey Clubs Committee in connection with the annual dance and the final fixtures, will be held at the Police Training School to-day at 6.15 p.m.

## GOLF AT FANLING

The Bogey (Par) Pool Competition of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club which was played at Fanling over the week-end was won by A. T. Lay (10), one up. K. K. Rounds (9), all square, was second. There were 45 entries.

## SPORT ADVTS.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 12th March, 1938, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 3rd March, 1938.

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## Australia's Davis Cup Team Picked

### Also Women Players For Wimbledon

Melbourne, Feb. 2.

The Australian L. T. A., meeting here to-day, chose the Davis Cup team to compete in the American zone next summer, and the women's team to play at Wimbledon this year.

The teams are:  
DAVIS CUP: J. Bromwich, A. K. Quist, L. A. Schwartz and H. C. Hopman.  
WOMEN: Miss D. Stevenson, Miss N. Wynne, Miss T. Coyne and Mrs. H. C. Hopman.

Hopman has been appointed player-manager of the Davis Cup side and Miss Joan Hartigan is reserve in the women's side, who will leave Australia on March 8.

The Davis Cup team will not come to England to compete at Wimbledon, but may play in the American championships.

The L. T. A. announced that the three former Davis Cup players, J. H. Crawford, V. B. McGrath and D. P. Turnbull, were not available this year.

The decision to participate in the Davis Cup was influenced by the fine showing of the chosen Australian players in the recent championships, and by the financial success of the present tour of the American and German players.

They showed that although a loss of £234 was incurred on the 1937 Davis Cup tour, a profit of some £2,000 was anticipated from the visit of the American and German players. By cutting out Wimbledon and the expense of the trip to England and saving on last year's expenses will be effected.

#### SCHWARTZ RANKED SIXTH

The only newcomer to the team is the South Australian, Schwartz. He reached the quarter-finals of the men's singles in the Australian championships this year, losing to Donald Budge. Schwartz is sixth ranked player. Budge went on to win the championship by beating another member of the team, Bromwich, the 19-year-old ambidextrous player, by 6-4, 6-2, 6-1.

Quist, who heads the Australian ranking list, is with Bromwich, this country's new doubles discovery. Playing together at the request of the L. T. A.—obviously with the Davis Cup in view—they showed magnificent form when they defeated the Wimbledon champions, Donald Budge and Gene Mako, in the semi-finals of the Australian championships, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-1. They then went on to defeat Von Cramm and Henkel, doubles champions of France, America and Japan, in the final by 7-5, 6-4, 6-0.

#### SEVENTH RANKED WOMAN

Miss Dorothy Stevenson is the young Victorian player who outplayed Miss Wynne in the semi-final of the Australian Championships last week, only to lose to Miss Dorothy Bundy, the young American, in the final. Ranked only seventh in last year's Australian ranking, she has been picked first of the players to come to England.

She has a strong forehand and it is said that much of her recent success has been due to the coaching of Pat O'Hara Wood, the former Davis Cup player. He has been concentrating on her service, which is the weakest part of her game.

Miss Nancy Wynne, Australian champion in 1937 and the leading ranked player in Australia, has been described by J. O. Anderson, the Australian Davis Cup player, as "the

third best player he has ever seen." He places only Suzanne Lenglen and Miss Helen Wills Moody before her. Miss Wynne, who is a hard hitter with a fine forehand drive and a great variety of strokes, also comes from Victoria. She has speed and height as well as strength. She is 20 years of age.

#### BEST ALL-ROUNDER

Miss Thelma Coyne comes from New South Wales and is Australia's second ranked player. Nineteen years of age, she is regarded as the best all-round player in Australia. She is especially strong on the volley, and her court positioning is excellent, and her court positioning is excellent, and her court positioning is excellent.

Mrs. Hopman, wife of the Davis Cup player Harry Hopman, is the third Victorian in the team. She is ranked fifth, one below Miss Hartigan, but her better form in the Australian championships (she lost to Miss Bundy in the semi-final, whereas Miss Hartigan was beaten in the quarter-finals by Miss Stevenson) probably turned the scales in her favour.

## ATHLETIC RECORDS SMASHED

Perth, Feb. 28.

Members of the British Empire Games team held an athletic meeting at Perth where the steamer in which they are returning home called for the day.

Shaw (South Africa) broke the Western Australian record for the 440 yards in 48 seconds. Newman (England), Clarke (Australia) and Shillington (North Australia) broke the Western Australian record for the high jump by clearing 6 feet 7 1/2 inch.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

## WORLD RECORDS APPROVED

Paris, Feb. 28.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation has approved a list of 40 world records including that of the Britisher, Sidney Wooderson's mile figures of 4.6.4/10 and the American, Jesse Owens's 10.2/10 established in Chicago in 1935, over which a controversy raged because the track measurements varied and the American, Forrest Towns's 13.7/10 in the 110 metres hurdle.—*Reuter.*



The Astor trio, appearing with Katie MacLennan, in sensational acrobatic dances at the Oriental Theatre as a special attraction in conjunction with Universal's railroad drama "West Bound Limited."

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"The Painted Veil" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Hongkong has waited a long time to see this picture, which is not exactly a new one; but Garbo is Garbo any time and references to Hongkong make this more than ordinarily interesting for local filmgoers.

"Victoria The Great" (Queen's and Alhambra Theatres, to-day).—Fully reviewed last week. It is a faithful and affectionate account of Queen Victoria's life, with Anna Neagle in the title role and Anton Walbrook as Prince Albert.

"West Bound Limited" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—True to type. Trains and train-wrecks accompanied by plenty of thrills. Lyle Talbot and Polly Rowles have the featured roles.

"Knight Without Armour" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—An Alexander Korda production, to appear in which Marlene Dietrich was specially imported from Hollywood. Robert Donat appears opposite the famous star. The picture is slightly slow, to judge by Hollywood standards, but succeeds in holding one's interest nevertheless. The Russian revolution forms the background.

### LAWN BOWLS MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Committee of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association in the South China Morning Post Board Room on Tuesday, March 8, at 5.30 p.m.

## Macao Surprises Corinthians

### One-All Draw Against Portuguese Colony

Macao, Feb. 28.

The Islington Corinthians to-day engaged a local team and could manage only a one-all draw.

The Corinthians scored within two minutes of the start, but the Macao defence was particularly solid thereafter and allowed no penetration. The equaliser came a minute before full time.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

## YACHTING EVENTS

### Artemis And Widgeon Score Wins

Artemis and Widgeon took leading places in the second series, sixth women's races held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over 7.5 miles, "A" class starting at 14.45 and mixed classes at 14.50.

#### "A" Class

Finished	Corrd.	Pos.	Pts.
Artemis	10.27.17	1	13
(Miss M. Whitlam)			
Kittiwake	10.28.40	2	11
(Miss P. M. King)			
True Blue	10.30.10	3	10
(Miss J. L. Smith)			
Nereid II	10.30.59	4	9
(Mrs. J. M. Tancock)			
Jean	10.31.42	5	8
(Mrs. V. Gowlland)			
Gull	10.31.07	6	7
(Mrs. L. Stanton)			
Eve	10.32.19	7	6
(Mrs. Bader)			
Redhawk	10.33.07	8	5
(Mrs. Hopkinson)			
Carpenter	10.34.17	9	4
(Mrs. P. R. Richards)			
Teal	D.N.F.		

#### Mixed Classes

Widgeon	10.36.11	10.26.48 1/2	1	10
(Miss Crawhall Wilson)				
Sirius	10.47.50	10.34.42 1/2	2	8
(Mrs. K. Trenchard Davis)				
Heron	10.44.13	10.34.50 1/2	3	7
(Mrs. D. Priestley)				
Zephyr	10.46.13	10.36.13	4	6
(Mrs. J. O. Pattullo)				
Dorothea	D.N.F.			
Eryl	D.N.F.			

## SEVEN-A-SIDE RUGBY

### Preliminary Rounds Of Local Tournaments

The preliminary rounds of the Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament were played at the Football Club ground yesterday, with the following results:

Royal Scots beat 24th Heavy Battery, R.A., 15-0.

Police beat 5th A.A. Brigade, R.A., 5-0.

Middlesex Regt. "A" beat H.M.S. Herald, 8-5.

Middlesex Regt. "B" beat Royal Scots "B", 3-0.

Club "A" beat 20th Heavy Battery, R.A., 19-0.

Civil Service beat Small Units, 11-0.

Club "B" received a walk-over from the Royal Engineers.

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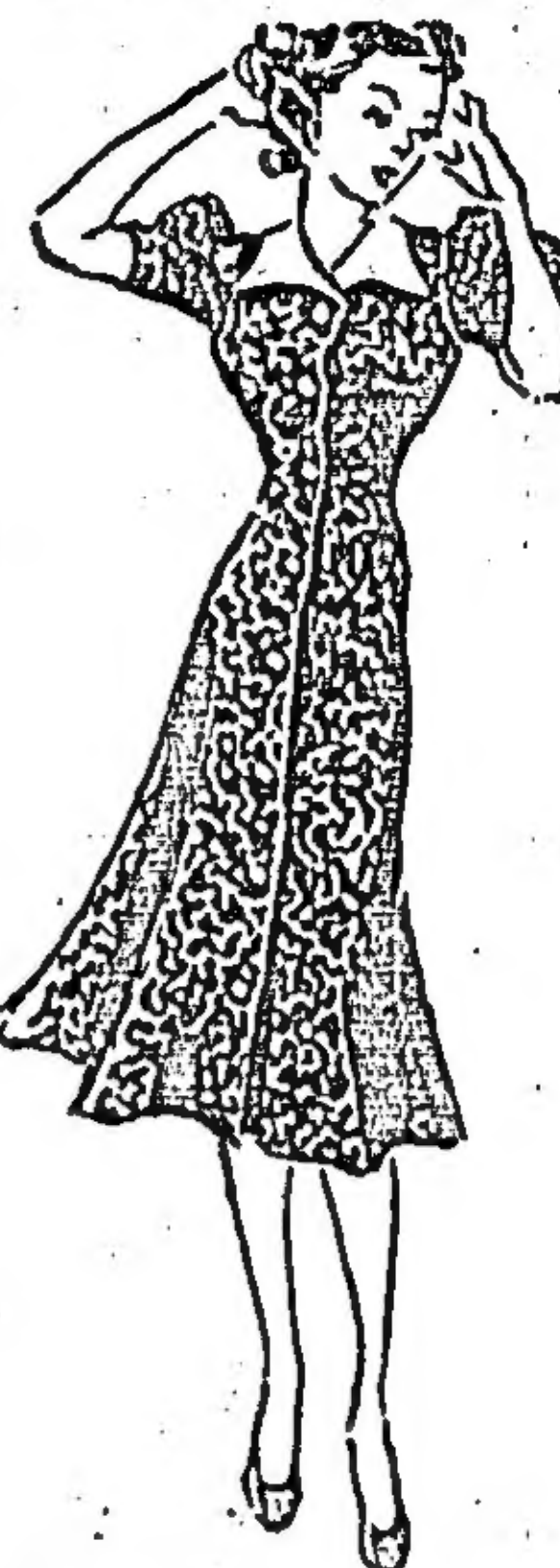
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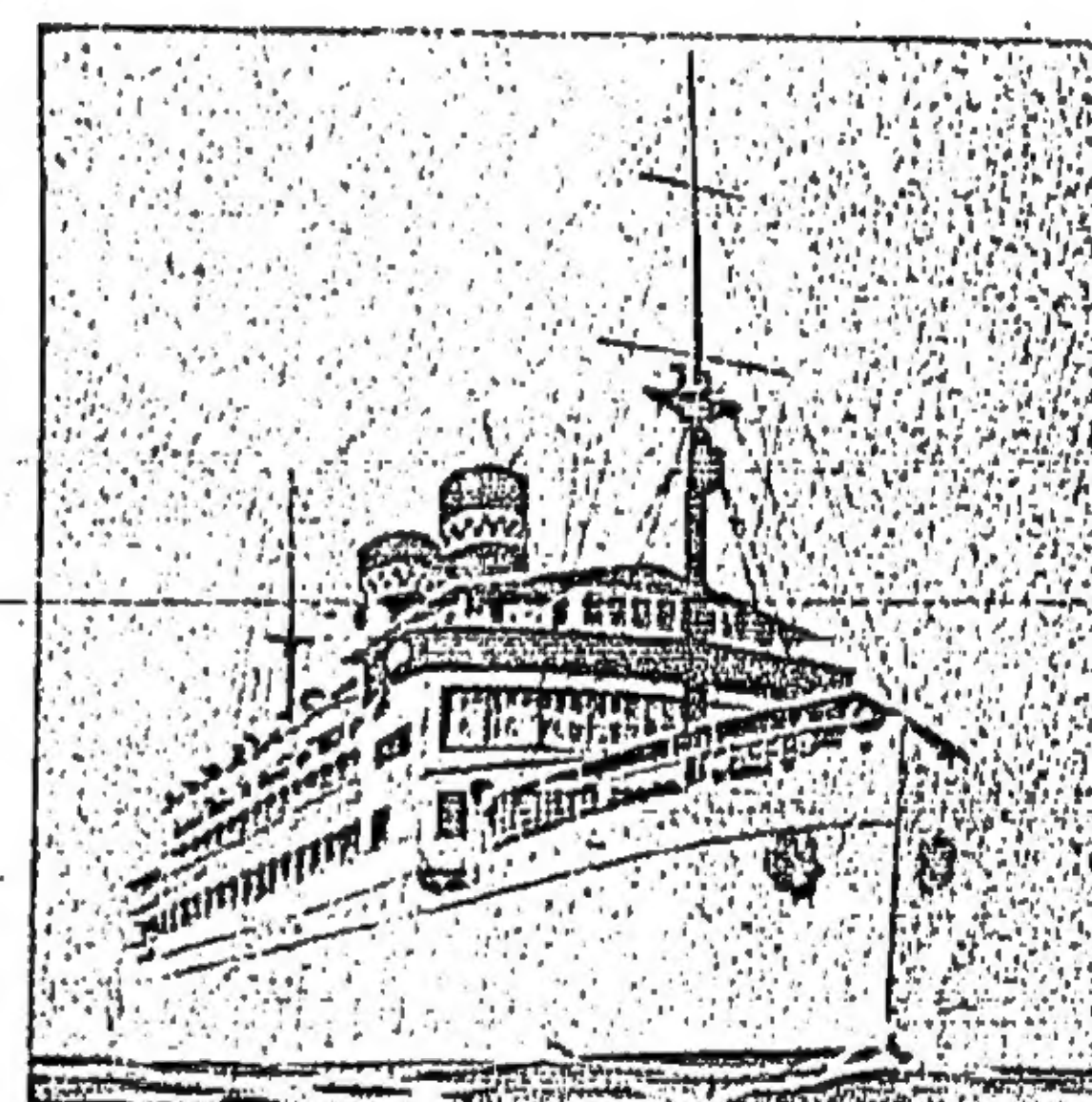
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GREY OWL IS FURIOUS



Grey Owl, Chief Scout of the North American Indians, recently went to London to broadcast in the B.B.C.'s Children's Hour. He arrived from Canada wearing an eagle feather in his hair and bear claws at his neck, but owing to differences to his script he refused to take part in the programme and returned to his country.

### "Good Cook," Is Chef's Verdict

PRINCESS ELIZABETH IN THE KITCHEN

London, Feb. 15. Princess Elizabeth, fast becoming a good cook, tries out her pastry on the royal family. Members of the household who allowed themselves to be experimented upon acknowledged the princess' Christmas cake to be "very good."

The princess receives two lessons a week from M. Rene Roussin, first chef at Buckingham Palace. She began in the pastry room and soon exhibited keen interest in making cakes. Well before Christmas she had made her first cake, to be kept until the festive season. The icing, in fact, was done after the family went to Sandringham.

Princess Elizabeth displays an aptitude for cooking, a qualification inherited from her mother, who is adept in the kitchen. After she finished the Christmas cake for her "own people," Princess Elizabeth made another one, a large specimen, which she sent from Sandringham to a village organization in Wales for the children. She was especially proud of this cake, the first to be eaten outside her own family, and on it fed a message of greeting to the Welsh children.—United Press.

## AMERICAN SOCIETY SEES NEW CONFLICT

By HENRY WOOD  
United Press Staff Correspondent

San Jose, Feb. 15.

Participation by the United States during the coming year in the Sino-Japanese conflict is forecast in the annual prediction book of the world-wide Order of the Rosicrucians, whose headquarters for the western hemisphere are located here.

The predictions made each year by the Order, which is a philosophical fraternity, are not the opinions of any one man, the Order's officials insist, but are based on charts and graphs of world-wide conditions in cycles of periodicity, indicating the trend of human affairs. The final charts are the results of records compiled each year by the Order in all parts of the world.

America's participation in the Far Eastern conflict, the book states, will in all probability be limited to the resources of the navy and the regular army, thus excluding any general mobilization or the creation of a special army as was done during the world war.

As for Japan, the prediction is made that during 1938, her status as a dominating world power will be seriously weakened by an internal condition bordering on general revolution.

China, on the other hand, it is predicted will rise during the current year largely as a result of world-wide co-operation.

As to other parts of the world, the prediction is made that during the course of the present year there will be a sharp uprise in prosperity in the United States accompanied by increased prices. There will be considerable concern, however, it is predicted, regarding epidemics of certain diseases.

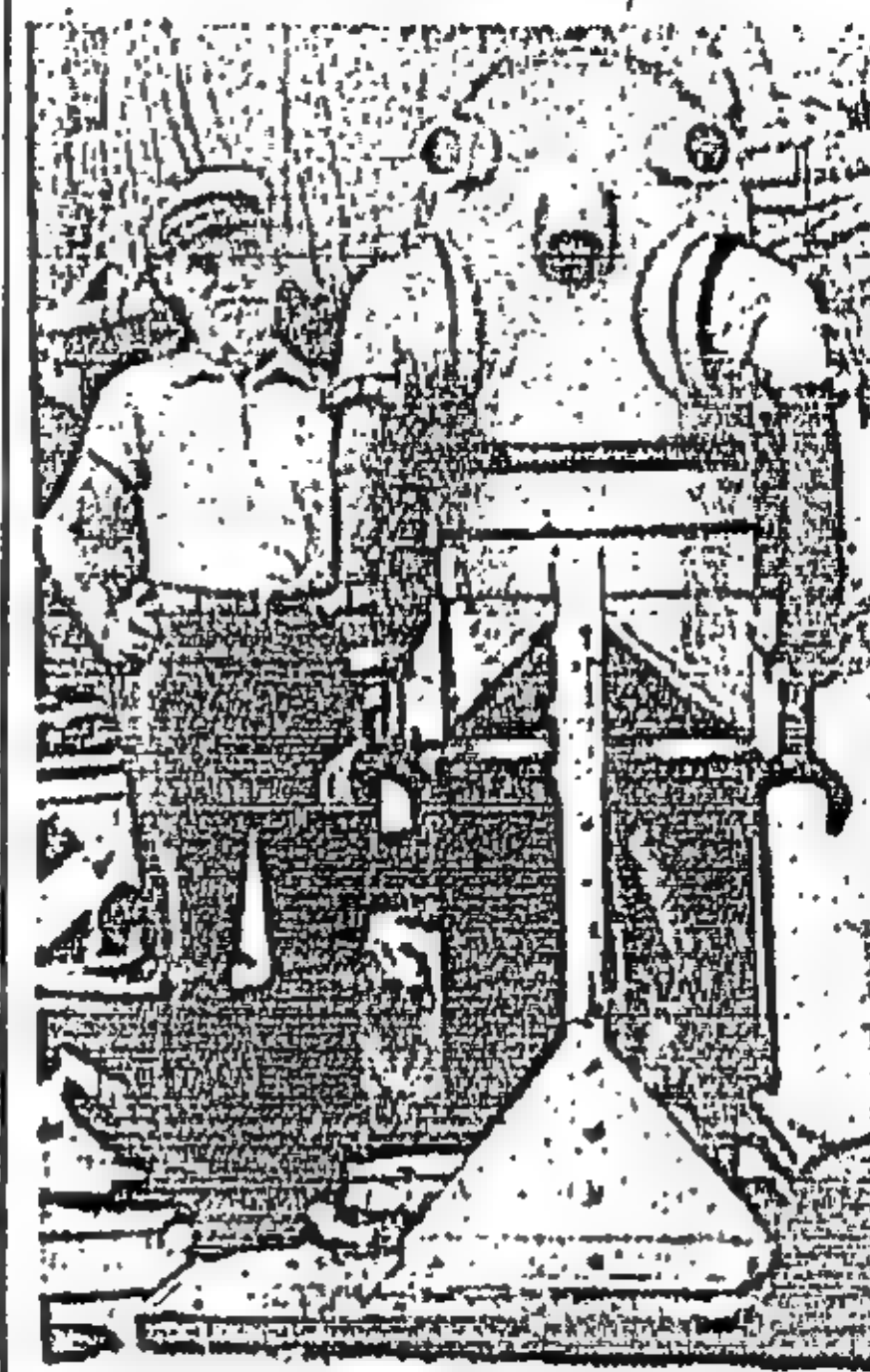
In Europe, the forecast states "France will be forced to fight for her rights in the Mediterranean, and Great Britain likewise."

"All Mediterranean countries will find themselves involved in some tension equivalent to warfare."

"Racial and religious persecutions will continue in parts of Russia and Germany. Germany will reach a high peak of prosperity during 1939 through enforced nationalism."

"Egypt will rise strangely to a new-found power under its new King."—United Press.

TO SEEK SEA TREASURES



A Californian deep sea diver, Lt. Harry Rieseberg, will lead an expedition to the Caribbean Sea in search of long-sunken treasures from ancient Inca temples. The picture shows one of the members of the expedition with the "iron man" with which the work on the sea bottom will be carried out.

### Pilgrimage To French Battlefields

VERDUN POPULAR RENDEZVOUS

Paris, Feb. 15.

Although this year marks the twentieth anniversary of the end of the World War, French battlefields—stretching from Flanders Fields to the Argonne Forest—are still a powerful magnet for attracting "pilgrims" and tourists. During 1937, the total was beyond the 400,000 mark.

Of this number, 70 per cent. were French; 10 per cent. Belgium; five to six per cent. German; three per cent. English and 14 per cent. American. This is an increase of 1/2 per cent. due to the dedication of the A.E.F. war monuments in August and the American Legion pilgrimage in October.

Every American cemetery has a caretaker (always an ex-soldier) who obligingly guides the visitor to the particular graves he desires to locate. Most of the Americans come as "pilgrims" to pray at the tomb of a comrade, a son, a father, or a brother.

All visitors stop at Verdun, which has recovered from its war-time bombardment. Nearby at Fort Douaumont is a magnificent inter-allies shrine erected in the midst of a French military cemetery. Visitors are permitted to go through the fort, including its subterranean passages, and get a vivid idea of the suffering and the heroism of those who defended this fortress more than twenty years ago.

Last year America dedicated her battle monuments at Montfaucon, at Meuse and at Cantigny; this year will be the turn of Australia. Near Amiens at Villers-Bretonneux, the Australian National Memorial is now nearing completion. The chief feature of it will be a tower, more than 100 feet high, flanked by massive walls on which will be inscribed the names of 10,860 Australians reported missing after the great attack in April, 1918. The foundations were begun in 1930; the walls were practically completed in 1937 while the tower will be terminated next April when, it is hoped, the dedicatory exercises will be presided over by His Majesty King George VI.—United Press.

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SHANGHAI THANKS MR. R. G. HOWE

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

Mr. R. G. Howe, who was sent to China to act as British Charge d'Affaires after the wounding of Sir Hu Shih Knatchbull-Hugessen, the Ambassador, by Japanese planes on August 20 last year, is sailing this morning for England by the P. and O. Comorin.

Mr. Howe remained as Charge d'Affaires until the arrival of Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the new Ambassador, on February 24.

On the eve of his departure Mr. Howe received a letter from the British Chamber of Commerce, offering him warm thanks on behalf of the British community for his work.—Reuter.

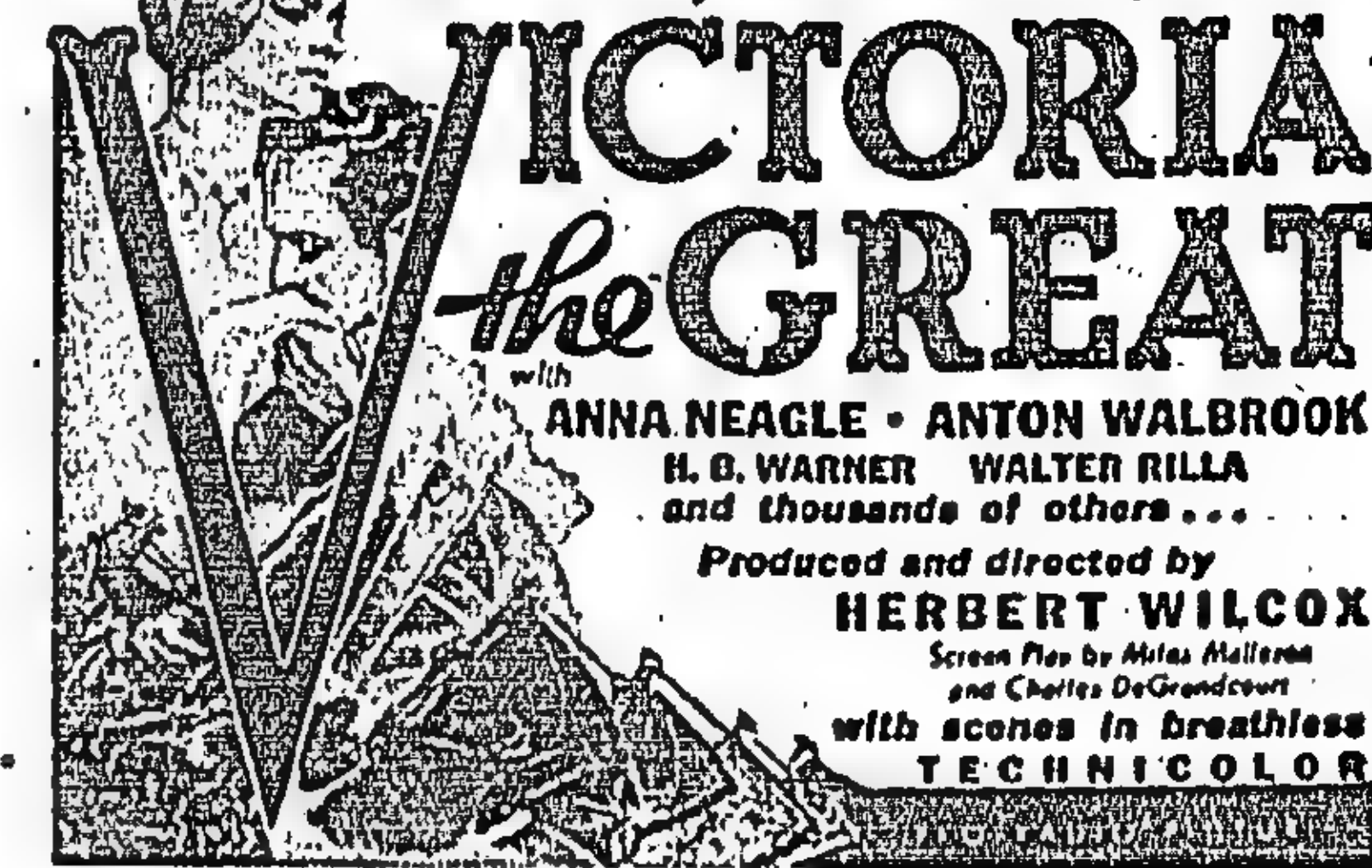
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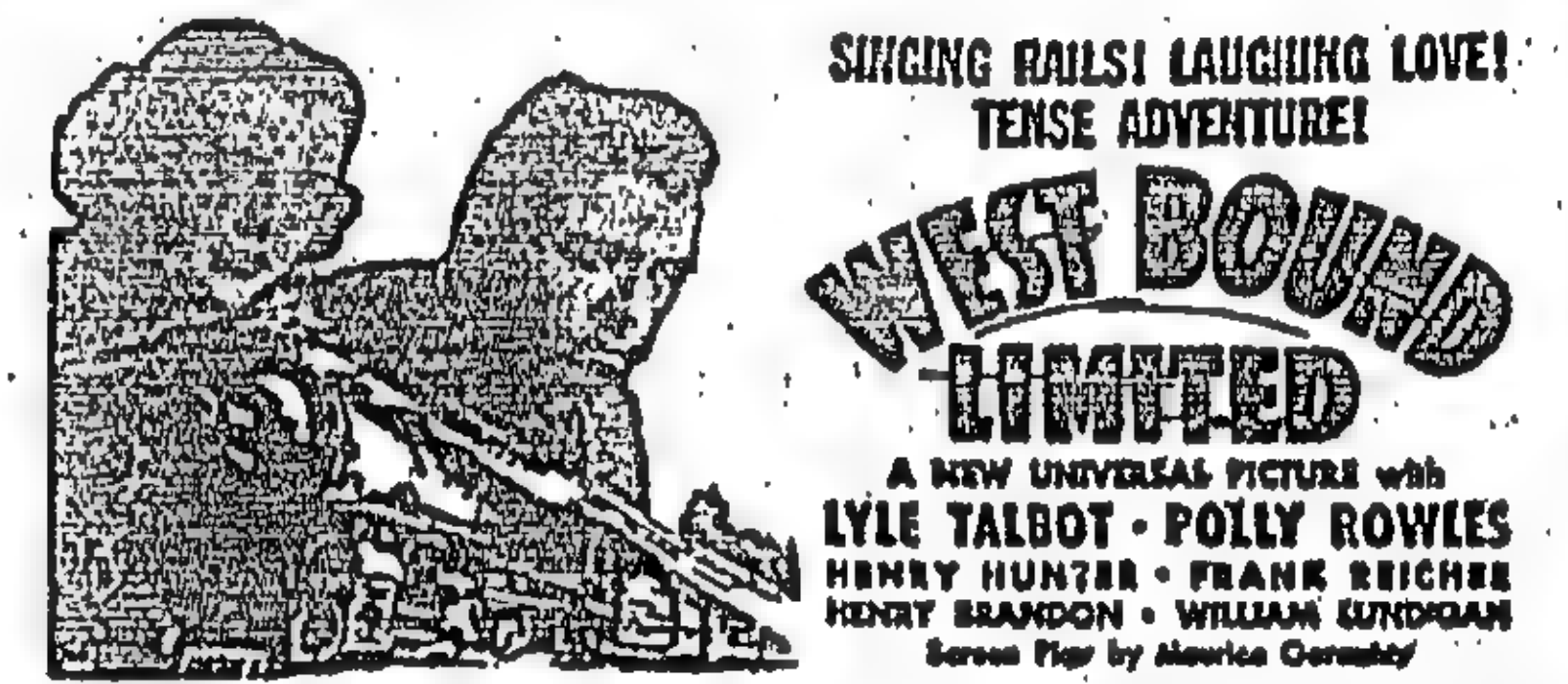
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The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

Prices moved sharply upward and there was considerable improvement in the turnover. The market closed strong with some improvements on the 5.15 p.m. rates. Hotels \$8.00, Lands \$35, Trams \$15.35, China Lights "Old", \$124.

**Buyers**  
Hongkong Bank \$1,555 ex. div.  
Bank of East Asia \$55  
Eastern Insurance \$22 1/2  
Union Insurance \$27 1/2  
China Underwriters \$13.00  
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Union Waterworks \$23.50  
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H.K. & W. Docks \$20 1/2  
Provident (Old) \$1  
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H. & S. Hotels \$24 1/2  
H.K. Lands \$34 1/2  
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Yau Ma Tei Ferry \$12 1/2  
China Lights (Old) \$12.10  
China Lights (New) \$9  
H.K. Electric \$20 1/2  
Macao Electric \$18 1/2  
Telephones (Old) \$28.00  
Telephones (New) \$10  
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Wallace Harpers \$14  
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Peak Trams (New) \$24  
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Provident (New) \$1  
H.K. Realities \$25 1/2  
H.K. Tramways \$12 1/2  
Yau Ma Tei Ferry \$12 1/2  
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# MEALS FOR LIVE-ALONES

## These menus will get your man . . .

### You've invited him to dinner for the first time

**THOUGH** you may live alone, we hope you don't dine alone with too great regularity.

Dining should be an adventure in sociability as well as in taste, and there's no telling to what other adventures it may lead.

But don't depend altogether on getting invitations. You may get something even more advantageous by issuing a few yourself.

Apart from the well-known way to a man's heart, there is something very flattering to any man about an invitation to dine alone with a woman.

The chances are that he will arrive, the first time, in a pleased and slightly curious frame of mind, which is all your favour.

It's up to you to make the most of it, and there are a number of rules to help.

#### Be sure of Yourself

**FIRST RULE**—Don't invite him at all unless you are sure you can give him a meal he'll really enjoy. That means not too sketchy a meal and certainly no visible strain or fuss.

A twittering hostess is exhausting, and an apologetic one is tiresome.

Any man would rather sit down opposite a serene woman presiding over superlative scrambled eggs, followed by big black cherries and an epicurean cheese than a fussed and fussy one manœuvring an array of expensive courses.

**SECOND RULE**, needed only by those entertaining with limited space or equipment, is—Never ask a man to balance his plate on his knee.

Men may be better jugglers than women, but not at mealtime.

Any he-man we have ever met wants to put his feet under a table when he eats dinner.

If you haven't room even for a table big enough for two, have a nest of little ones and set one in front of your guest and one in front of yourself, when dinner is served.

**THIRD RULE**—Plan your meal according to your man.

We don't mean according to his standards of elegance. Your standards will come through any veneer you may put on, like an old finish through a thin layer of paint, so you might as well forget his completely.

#### Size is Misleading

**DON'T**, we beg, judge a man's appetite by his size.

The meat loaf should be a home product, however.

#### MEAT LOAF

Fat men are often on a diet, and sometimes have meagre appetites to start with, some small men can consume enormous quantities of sausage meat, are mixed with one nourishment.

In any case, it's better to have more than enough and use the leftovers next day. (Often, this is half the fun of any party).

The first test to apply to the average male, in planning his meal, is the alcohol test. A man's tastes and interest in food are pretty sure to vary according to his tastes and principles in drinking.

#### If he doesn't Drink

**WE** might as well start with the teetotaler, who crops up in every woman's life from time to time, and sometimes permanently.

For him, you'd better think up a lot of creamy things and plenty of sweets (remembering that he has his good points, after all). This gentleman will like candy left around on little tables, for after-dinner stuffing, and jelly with the meat course.

You'd better take it for granted that this guest will be very hungry and plan accordingly.

**Cream of Tomato Soup**  
**Meat Loaf with Mushroom Sauce**  
**Spinach and Carrots Vichy**  
**Hot Rolls**  
**Grape Jelly**  
**Meringue Shells with Ice Cream**  
**Coffee**

Since you live alone and are probably limited as to space and equipment, you'd better start off on this menu with a good tinny soup—which is the best tomato soup any-way.

One pound of chopped beef, one of chopped veal, a half-pound of fresh pork, and a half-pound of sausage meat, are mixed with one egg, one cupful of bread crumbs, one tin of tomato soup or a half-bottle of catsup, and salt and pepper.

Strips of bacon in the bottom of the pan add an extra flavour, and the loaf should be baked until brown.

#### Mushroom Sauce

**THOROUGHLY** brush and clean a half-pound of mushrooms before you cut them into slices.

Then add them to three table-spoonfuls of melted butter, cook from three to five minutes, sprinkle with salt and pepper, dredge with one table-spoonful of flour, add one cupful of rich milk and two table-spoonfuls of cream, and cook slowly for another five minutes.

#### CARROTS VICHY

You'll do best with this if you choose little tender carrots of the same size. Clean and boil them in lightly salted water until tender, then slice them very thin (that is the trick, really), and saute the slice in butter to which a little sugar has been added.

Turn them till they are a nice brown and sprinkle them with minced parsley.

The spinach is just like any spinach (washed and washed before cooking), but it should be heaped in a mound on the serving dish with the carrots piled gaily round it.

## Article On Cuckoo Mothers

"SHE is always parking her children at other people's houses," complained a friend of mine the other day, speaking of her neighbour who had asked her to look after her baby for her while she had a day in town. "I call her a cuckoo mother."

There is a difference between the mother who is a slave to her children, who sacrifices everything to them, making them intolerably selfish by bearing all their burdens for them, and the cuckoo mother who thinks of herself first and her children last.

Nobody minds looking after somebody else's baby in an emergency, but when it happens two or three times a week, it becomes too much of a good thing. Besides, there is the baby to consider. One infant who was continually spending days at auntie's down the road began calling her mummy as his small cousins did. Stubbornly he insisted that his own mother was auntie. There is no snub worse than the one a small child administers.

#### "A SLAVE TO MY CHILDREN"

"I don't intend to be a slave to my children, if I have any," said a newly-married woman. After her baby arrived, though everything was quite straightforward, she and her husband went off on holiday, leaving the baby with the nurse. She said it would give the baby such a splendid start to get into good habits of sleeping and feeding, and besides it was not good to take a young baby away from home.

All this was true and the infant was well cared for in the mother's absence, but somehow the little one does not seem to belong to her parent. At a year old, she is very independent, and will as soon go to anyone else as to her mother.

#### DESTROYING AFFECTION

No one can tell the effect on a baby of purely mechanical care and attention, however efficient it may be. There may be some people who think that a mother is not always capable of training and looking after her infant, and to those, cuckoo mothers will seem quite natural. They have to pay for it later, however, when their children look for sympathy to others and think of their mother as the least significant person in the home. Perhaps it is she who looks to them for sympathy and does not find it, for she was not the centre of their world during the period of babyhood, and now she has lost them.

It is worth all the self-sacrifice of outside interests in their early days to gain a firm place in the children's hearts. They grow up so soon into school children. Then when mother is free to spend whole days in shopping, she sometimes thinks rather longingly of the time when she had always to take a pram with her.

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# Denies Italy Wants Share in Suez Defence

## CHAMBERLAIN CLAIMS SUGGESTION NEVER PUT TO GOVERNMENT

### Appointment of Halifax To Foreign Office Is Questioned by Labour

London, Feb. 28.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, answered Foreign Office questions in the House of Commons this afternoon. The first one, addressed by Mr. W. Wedgwood Benn (Lab.) asked whether the Italian Government had asked for a share in the defence of the Suez Canal at any time.

Mr. Chamberlain said the Foreign Office archives had not been searched prior to 1922, but since then the Government was not aware of any such request.

Mr. Chamberlain referred to the Italian description of the report as fantastic, and on Mr. Wedgwood Benn asking it was not a matter which Government was discussing, Mr. Chamberlain replied: "There is no such matter, so that it cannot be discussed."—*Reuter*.

#### Questions Appointment

London, Feb. 28.

The appointment of Lord Halifax was raised by Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, in the House of Commons to-day, when he asked the Prime Minister to state the reasons for breaking the established parliamentary practice of having the Foreign Secretary from the House of Commons.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain replied that although he did not accept the statement that there was any such established practice (Ministerial cheers) he agreed that, other things being equal, there were advantages in the Foreign Secretary being a member of the House of Commons. In the present circumstances the disadvantages of the different arrange-

ments were, he thought, outweighed by Lord Halifax's outstanding qualifications.

Mr. Chamberlain offered an opportunity for a debate on the subject at 9 p.m. to-day if other business was finished. With regard to further arrangements, the Prime Minister said he proposed to deal with all important aspects of foreign affairs which formed the subject of debate, or questions. He would answer all the major questions and Mr. R. A. Butler, the new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the others.—*Reuter*.

#### GOVERNMENT WINS DEBATE

The Government motion for adjournment was carried by 220 to 99 after a debate in which Mr. Clement

## PILOT WITH PAYROLL MISSING

Philippines Mystery Sensation

Manila, Mar. 1.

The Philippine Aerial Taxi Company has revealed that a passenger plane, carrying U.S.\$17,500 payroll of the Marsman Mining Company, is missing en route to the Paracale Islands.

The sole occupant of the plane is the pilot, Burton Hall, a former C.N.A.C. flyer.

Four American and Philippine army planes are now searching for the missing machine. The company does not believe it has been intercepted by aerial bandits.—*United Press*.

Attlee claimed that the appointment of a Foreign Secretary outside of the House of Commons was a departure from constitutional practice. He urged close control of foreign policy by the House of Commons in view of the very great tension in foreign affairs, the deep divisions in the country on foreign policy, and the fact that the whole principle of democracy was being assailed in the world to-day.

He said the proposal of the Premier to answer questions on major foreign policy entailed a great danger of duality in the control of foreign affairs.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Lib.) declared there was no constitutional law against the Foreign Secretary being a member of the House of Lords, and he expressed the opinion that Lord Halifax was the best man available for the work.

Mr. Winston Churchill concurred, and Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, emphasized that he chose Lord Halifax because he regarded him as the best man qualified for the job.

Referring to his undertaking to answer Foreign Office questions, the Premier said he assumed members of the opposition would not try to abuse their rights, but would try to confine themselves to questions which they thought ought to be answered.—*Reuter*.



"NO MORE PHOTOGRAPHS!" smiles General Matsui, as foreign diplomats gathered to bid farewell to the recalled Army leader in Shanghai.

## Diplomats Of China, Japan Shake Hands

London, Feb. 28.

Representatives of legations of China and Japan were present at an international lunch arranged by the Hendon Rotary Club, at which 14 countries were represented to-day.

Mr. W. C. Cheng, Chinese Charge d'Affaires, and Mr. Hasegawa, First Secretary to the Japanese Embassy, shook hands when they met at table.—*Reuter*.

## To Save U.S. Car Industry

National Campaign During March

Detroit, Feb. 28.

For the first time in history, all automobile manufacturers and dealers, including Mr. Henry Ford, have joined in a campaign to break the used car jam and to stimulate recovery.

Designated the "National Used Car Exchange Week," the campaign which will take place from March 5 to March 12, was announced to-day to be the result of the recent White House conferences.

It is proposed to spend \$1,250,000 in advertising the campaign, two-thirds of which will be allotted to the newspapers, and the remainder to radio and outdoor advertising.—*United Press*.

## Japanese Diplomatic Transfers

Shanghai, Mar. 1.

It is learned that the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Okamoto, is being transferred to London as a Counsellor, and is being succeeded by Mr. Hidaka, at present Charge d'Affaires and first secretary of the Japanese Embassy.

It is also learned that Mr. Tan, former Minister to Austria, is leaving Tokyo for Shanghai to-day to take charge of Japanese diplomatic affairs in Central China.—*Reuter*.

## BOMBING CIVILIANS IN SPAIN

London, Feb. 28.

The Prime Minister stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Spanish Government had accepted in principle the British Government's proposals for the cessation of the bombing of civilians and unfortified towns, but the insurgent headquarters at Salamanca replied that they must reserve the right and freedom of action to strike at military objectives whenever necessary.—*Reuter*.

## STRAIGHT TALKING TO FRANCO

Britain Insists On Compensation For Alcira Sinking

London, Feb. 28.

General Franco's administration, having afforded an explanation about the sinking of the Alcira, which the Government considered unsatisfactory, the British Agent at Salamanca has been instructed to express the Government's opinion that the attack was entirely unjustified, and that the Salamanca authorities will be held responsible for full compensation for the sinking of the ship and the loss of life sustained by the crew.

Regarding other incidents in the Mediterranean, the Salamanca authorities objected to the strong terms of the British communications which they considered unjustified, but the British Agent has been instructed to reply, justifying the language, says reports received in London.—*Reuter*.

## U.S. MUST CHOOSE TOTALITARIANISM OR CAPITALISM

Washington, Feb. 28.

Mr. Ismar Baruch of the Civil Service Commission, testified before the Senate Unemployment Relief Committee to-day, when he said:

"If it became clear to-morrow that America has definitely chosen her traditional profit system, forces would be released that would rapidly hasten recovery and re-employment."

As an alternative to relying on the profit system and the hope of gain, we can try the new European idea of State regulation. We can try one or the other, but we cannot try both at the same time. America must choose.—*United Press*.

## PERSONNEL TO PROBE PALESTINE PROBLEM

London, Feb. 28.

The personnel of the Palestine Partition Commission was announced to-day and is: Sir John Woodhead, Sir Alison Russell, and Mr. A. P. Watersfield. A fourth member may be appointed.

The Commission will start work in England about the middle of March, and will probably go to Palestine about a month later, arriving as soon as possible after the Easter ceremonies in Jerusalem have concluded.—*Reuter*.

## SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Chok-sang, Pingwo, Naidera, Yaching, Shengking, Hokuken Maru, President Coolidge, Empress of Russia, John Moller, Taisun Hong, Yingchow, Yan Hout, Repin and Hella.

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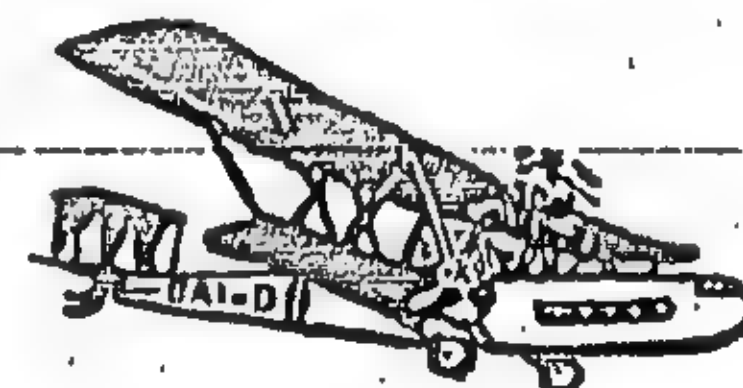
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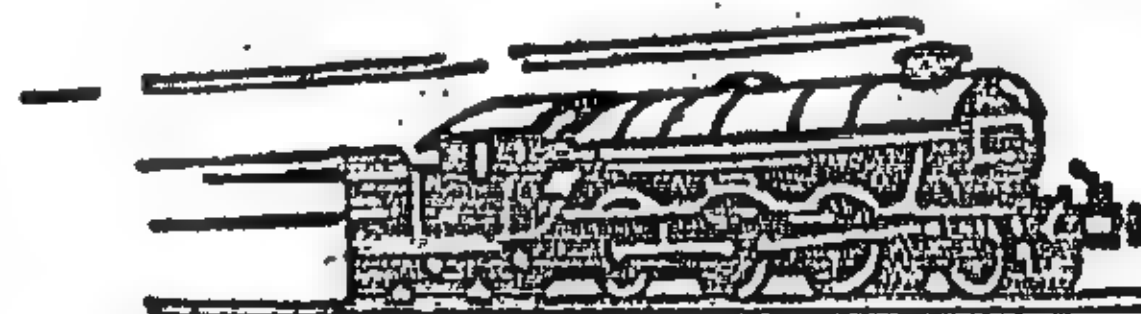
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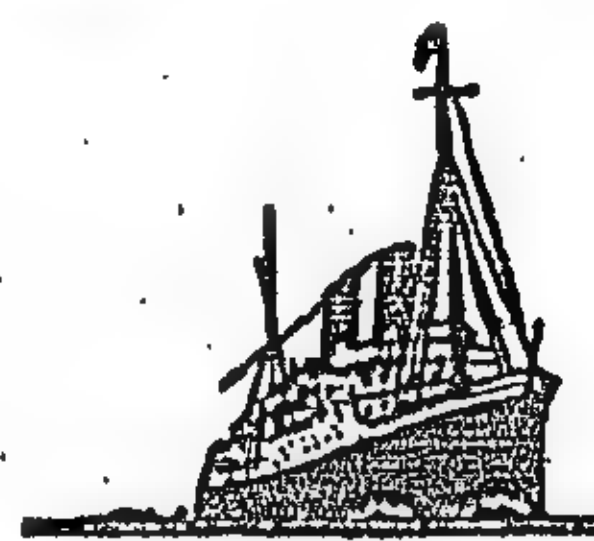
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## MILITARY AGE LIMIT ABANDONED

Berlin, Feb. 28.  
The supreme command of armed forces in Germany has issued a decree abolishing the age limit for military service of retired regular and reserve officers. As a result retired officers are liable to service as long as they fulfil medical requirements.  
The decree is applicable to members of the Imperial Army and the Reichwehr who retired before Nazi control of Germany.  
The decree has been expected since Herr Hitler on February 20 intimated that the army would be strengthened.—United Press.

## DIET TO PASS JAPAN BUDGET

Tokyo, Mar. 1.  
Japan's extraordinary budget, in connection with the China incident, providing for ¥4,850,000,000, which has been approved by the Cabinet, and sanctioned by the Throne, will be submitted to the Diet this morning by the Government.  
Appropriations include the following: War Office ¥3,237,000,000, Navy Ministry, ¥2,043,000,000, Finance Ministry, ¥550,000,000.  
Bond issues in connection with budget total ¥4,454,000,000.—Reuter Special.

## BRITISH PLANES DAMAGED

London, Feb. 28.  
The Air Ministry announces that damage to two aircraft about to be tested, was recently discovered at Ringway Aerodrome, Manchester. It is believed the damage was maliciously caused, and police are investigating.—Reuter Special.

## SMALL-POX FIGURES SHOW BIG DECLINE

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vious week, there were only 164 cases, with 182 deaths.

"The epidemic is definitely on the wane, and noticeable improvements in figures supplied by this Department should be seen from now onward," an official told the Telegraph this morning.

Of last week's 164 cases, 111 were reported from the residential area of Victoria, 40 from Kowloon, nine from Shaokwan, two from Aberdeen, one from the New Territories, and one from the harbour. Two of the 132 fatal cases were imported into the Colony.

Bringing the total since January 1 to 939, a further 45 cases were reported by the health authorities this morning. It was pointed out to the Telegraph, however, that a considerable number of these cases should have been included in the week-end total, published yesterday as 32 cases. The total for three days is 77 cases, giving an average of less than 20 cases a day.

Over 750 of the 939 cases reported since January 1 occurred in the residential areas of Victoria, and other parts of the Colony have been comparatively free from the epidemic.

Four cases of meningitis (two in Victoria and one each in Kowloon and Shaokwan); two cases of dysentery in Kowloon; a case of typhoid in Kowloon; three cases of measles (one in Victoria and two in Kowloon) and two cases of chicken-pox (one each in Victoria and Aberdeen) were also reported yesterday.

## EMPEROR OF JAPAN RECUPERATING

Tokyo, Mar. 1.  
The Emperor of Japan, who has been recuperating at Hayama since February 10, is returning to Tokyo on March 5.—Reuter.

## Dock Company Pay Dividend, Staff Bonus

### Good Year Reported

At the forthcoming annual general meeting, the Board of Directors of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. will recommend the following:—  
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and carry forward about . . . 120,000

The board will make proposals at the Meeting to increase the Capital by offering to shareholders one new share at par for every two old shares held and to capitalise the amount of \$500,000 standing to the credit of Special Reserve at December 31, 1937, by issuing to those shareholders who subscribe for the new issue one bonus share fully paid up for every two new shares taken up.

### FOUND ABOARD LINER

Found on board the Empress of Canada, which was in the Taitoo Dockyard, yesterday, two unemployed Chinese were fined \$10 each, or ten days, when they pleaded guilty before Cmdr. G. F. Hole in the Marine Court this morning.

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. August Foempe, engineer, residing at 10 Chatham Road, and Miss Lulse Burkart, typist, also of Hongkong.

### CLIPPER DELAYED

The China Clipper has been delayed and will not arrive in Hongkong until Sunday. She will leave on Monday for Manila.

## LOCAL JOURNALIST SEES BLACK-OUT FROM AIR IN R.A.F. MACHINE

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feet, to have picked out any objective during the second flight.

This sweeping statement should be qualified. The Naval dockyard, for instance, was rather conspicuous; due to the fact that an experimental system of lighting was in use. At 5,000 feet this appeared to be somewhat of a failure, although it possibly would be effective at greater heights. So completely successful were the black-outs on warships alongside the dockyard that it was not realised from the air that they were present there.

The attempt by one of the private dockyards to use screened floodlights also failed.

The Peak and the southern side of the Island of Hongkong were completely darkened. Only a few lights, apparently from sampans, were visible at Aberdeen. Repulse Bay and Stanley could not be discovered from any height above 1,000 feet. The Queen Mary hospital was completely lost in the gloom below.

The business section of Victoria was successfully shrouded in darkness, but blackouts in West Point, Shaokwan and Happy Valley left much to be desired.

### KOWLOON BLACK-OUT FAILED

Whilst Kowloon appeared almost completely darkened from the ground, it was badly visible to aeroplanes flying above, the chief offender being the typist shelter at Yau-mai. The waterfront in the vicinity of the K.C.R. station was completely blacked out.

Only one motor-car was seen moving from an altitude of 5,000 feet, and such traffic as continued during the blackout would be completely invisible from any great height.

Shipping in the harbour was, on the whole, well blacked out, although ferry lights and junks and sampans were visible.  
Insofar as Hongkong was completely shrouded from aeroplanes more than ten miles distant, the experiment last night was a complete success. But more stringent measures would be necessary (and, undoubtedly, will be taken during future black-outs) to prevent raiders from finding some of their objectives once they pick up Hongkong itself.

### OFFICERS' KEEN INTEREST

Military and Royal Air Force observers were keenly interested in last night's experiment, and flights were made by Col. N. M. S. Irwin, D.S.O., M.C., the G.S.O.I. and Major J. F. Benoy D.A.A.G. who witnessed the black-out from an R.A.F. machine piloted by Flight Lieut. C. A. Watt, O.C. of the flight at Kai Tak Royal Air Force Station.

During the experiments, police patrols in the streets of Hongkong were considerably increased to protect the Colony from criminals.

Car lights were screened with an experimental apparatus which certainly rendered all traffic invisible from any great height. Under normal conditions, motor head-lamps are clearly visible at heights exceeding 15,000 feet.

Participation in last night's operations made possible through the courtesy and permission of Wing Commander A. C. Bishop, O.N.E., Flight Lieut. C. A. Watt, and with the concurrence of Col. N. M. S. Irwin, D.S.O., M.C., G.S.O.I. The Officer who so kindly made the flights with the Telegraph representative was Flight Lieut. R. L. Wallace, Adjutant at Kai Tak.

## JAPANESE NOW DENY ATTACKING BRITISH PLANE

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"passengers" as having told the story of the alleged attack.

Since then the Imperial Airways planes have flown by way of Gap Rock. This takes them well clear of any Japanese occupied islands or naval base.

### Planes Pursued

Shanghai, Mar. 1.  
A Japanese naval spokesman, at a press conference to-day declared that he had no information, and knew nothing about the alleged attacks on the Imperial Airways liner on February 21. However, he said that on that day, a strange plane appeared over the Japanese naval anchorage at a considerable distance from Hongkong at a height of 3,500 metres, which was identified as a twin-engine monoplane.

He declared that Japanese planes pursued the machine to Hongkong until they perceived the British insignia on the plane. On the same day, another monoplane was sighted over the anchorage and this was also chased until it was discovered to be British.

The Japanese authorities had drawn the attention of the British authorities on February 22 to the fact that such flights were "potential causes of friction," and they requested the British to abandon the practice. The British authorities replied that these were passenger planes. The spokesman added that this was the first time planes had appeared over the anchorage.—Reuter.

### TRADE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE CLOSED

Owing to the transfer of Mr. G. C. Polnam to H. M. Embassy in China, the Office of H. M. Trade Commissioner and Commercial Secretary will be closed as from to-day until further notice.

## JAPANESE SHATTER LINGSHIN LINES

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present operations in this area are confined to beating off Chinese guerrilla forces.

According to Chinese reports, the Japanese have sent heavy reinforcements to Pengpu in an attempt to break the deadlock.—Reuter.

### Casualties "Only" 500,000

Shanghai, Mar. 1.  
"Our casualties are only half a million, which is comparatively insignificant. Not until the sacrifices reach 50 or 100 millions have we reason to despair," said General Pai Ching-hsi, Chief of Staff in an address at Hankow. He declared that the Sino-Japanese conflict showed it took three Chinese to kill one Japanese, and at that rate China would need 100,000,000 to wipe out the entire male population of Japan.

General Pai admitted that China was weak, contending that if they balance all the factors, including preparations for a long war of defence while fighting, the final victory would be theirs.—Reuter.

### Chinese Recapture North Honan Town

Chengchow, Mar. 1.  
In a counter-attack on February 27 the Chinese forces operating on the eastern sector of the Tsohou-Ching-hsi railway in north Honan recaptured Hwahsien, off the railway, a report just received here stated. Comparative quiet is prevailing on the Peiping-Hankow Railway front.—Central News.

### Japanese Landing Repulsed

Kinhwa, Mar. 1.  
An attempt by five Japanese warships to land bluejackets at Kamen, some 9 miles from Yuhuan on the Chekiang coast on February 27, was frustrated by the Chinese garrison, according to word received here.

The Japanese warships fired about 80 shells to cover the landing but the Chinese defenders machine-gunned the invaders and drove them back. The Japanese shells caused more than 10 civilian casualties and the destruction of many houses.—Central News.

### Artillery Duel At Shangyao

Hsuechow, March 1.  
A fierce artillery duel between the Chinese and Japanese batteries at Shangyao, west of Fenyang on the south sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, has been taking place during the last few days.

The Japanese have brought several long-range guns into action, severely bombarding the Chinese positions. The Chinese batteries replied briskly. A unit of 200 Japanese soldiers in 10 trucks was attacked by a Chinese mobile force whilst on its way from Chihhochen to Tingyuan. After a two-hour engagement, the Japanese were routed, suffering some 30 casualties. About 20 Chinese guerrilla troops were also killed.—Central News.

### Situation At Linfen Obscure

Chengchow, Mar. 1.  
Whilst no confirmation of the fall of Linfen, the new capital of Shanxi, has yet been received, reports reaching here indicate that the situation there is obscure.

Fierce fighting, according to reports, is going on around the city.—Central News.

### AMBASSADOR TALKS WITH LORD HALIFAX

London, Feb. 28.  
Lord Perth, British Ambassador in Rome, paid another call on Lord Halifax at the Foreign Office to-day in connection with the impending Anglo-Italian talks.—British Wireless.

### CADMAN COMMITTEE REPORT EXPECTED

London, Feb. 28.  
It is anticipated that the report of the Cadman Committee on civil aviation, together with a statement of the Government's intentions, will be published early next week.—British Wireless.



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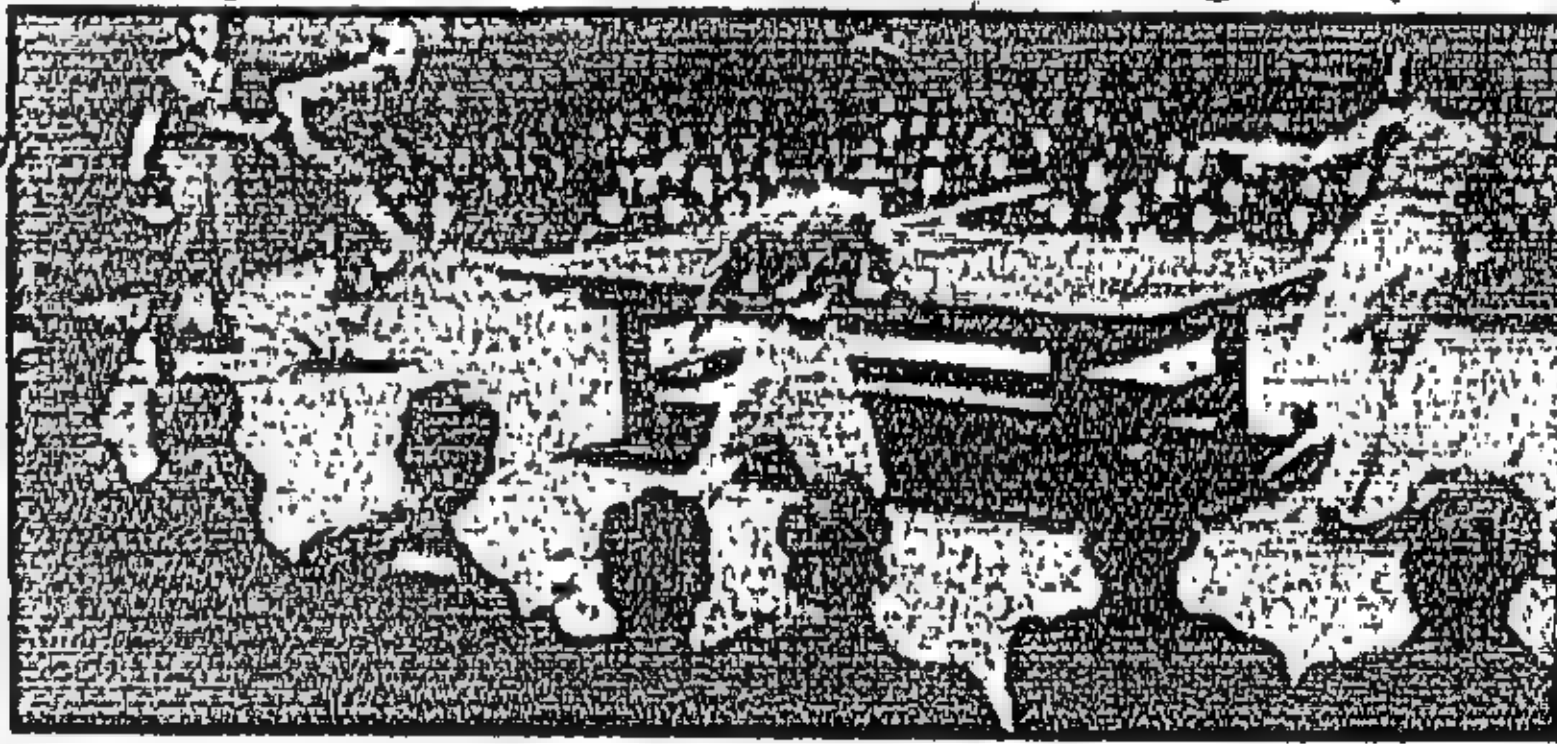


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### MR. MISKIN TAKES PULSE OF BUSINESS

The annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is much more than an opportunity for presenting shareholders with a statement of its financial achievements in the course of twelve months; it is the occasion for an authoritative and searching analysis of political, economic and financial conditions in the Far East—that part of the world which has become so great a factor in matters affecting the welfare of the universe. Thus Mr. Miskin's speech on Saturday as chairman of this powerful institution, was, like those of his predecessors, of special significance. Not only did it give a well balanced assessment of the forces which influenced, and in many ways directed, the fortunes of commerce, industry, politics and finance in the Orient during 1937, but it essayed a tentative, conservatively phrased, yet highly important prediction for the coming year.

Mr. Miskin did his best to adopt a cheerful tone, and his optimism, if a little strained, will be welcomed and applauded, for the necessity of building up the morale of a business community through confidence is as great as when dealing with front line soldiers. To Mr. Miskin, the chief hope of establishing stability in the life of the Far East is the early conclusion of the present war in China. This view will be thoroughly endorsed by all thinking people. But the speaker offered practically no glimmer of hope of this much-desired situation materialising, and he was forced back on the defensive. "The political barometer is still too low to warrant a forecast" of fine weather for merchants in the near future. In Central China the channels of foreign trade are now affected as never before since the opening of the treaty ports. Yet, may I be so bold as to suggest, that for this very reason the catastrophe is perhaps magnified in the eyes of many. If, as seems likely, the Yangtze Valley continues to suffer throughout the spring and summer, the effect on trade in general will naturally be serious, but there will be adjustments. A loss here will become a gain there, and I do not think it necessary to be too despondent.

The truth of this has been very much substantiated in Hongkong during the past year. The war has brought prosperity to the Colony. But it is of a superficial type, and by its very nature is dangerous, for not only does it exist at the expense of the ports of China, but it depends for its sustenance on the continuance of abnormal conditions. Reaction must follow. The longer it is delayed, the more depressing and widespread

# A GREAT SOLDIER Fights Grimmiest Battle of Life

GENERAL JOHN JOSEPH PERSHING is the last of the military leaders of the Great War. Foch, Haig, Hindenburg, French, Ludendorff, Petain—names that conjure memories of mighty battles of two decades ago—have all preceded him in the last great battle with an enemy that always conquers—Death. He is reported to be slowly sinking.

GENERAL PERSHING was the only one of the great military leaders of the world war who retained his command throughout the struggle.

His military career dates back to 1886, the year he was graduated from West Point. Commissioned as a second lieutenant in the cavalry, he served in this rank for six years, fighting in the Indian wars and later serving as military instructor at the University of Nebraska.

The Spanish American War found him afield in Cuba, but few had ever heard of him until August, 1899, when he was sent to the Philippines, to put down the Moro insurrection.

He was still only a captain, but he quickly won fame by his stirring campaigns against the Moros; a fierce and restive tribe of Mohammedans that had defied Spanish rule for centuries. President Roosevelt complimented him in a message to Congress.

He went to Russia as a military observer for the United States in the Russo-Japanese war; he served on the Mexican border; he led the expeditionary forces that chased Villa into the interior after the Columbus raid. Then, at the age of 57, President Wilson selected him as the man to lead the nation's armies in the greatest war of all time.

THE son of a village store-keeper, who later became the postmaster, Pershing was born at Laclede, Mo., on Sept. 13, 1860. He wanted to be a lawyer, but when burglars robbed the post office and the family savings had to be given over to make up the loss, he got an appointment to West Point.

"Guess there won't be another shot fired for the next 100 years," he said "but I'll get an education at the academy anyway."

The army was his life. He gave it everything he had and it gave him everything he got—education, fame and, strangely enough, a bride.

His belated romance—he was then 44 years of age—began one day in June, 1904, when Miss Frances Warren, daughter of

may be its effects. Reason will favour Mr. Miskin's conclusion that the most desirable basis of trade is the peace of the Orient. How to obtain that peace and how Hongkong can make its contribution towards it, is the logical question which follows. The Bank chairman very broadly hinted that he felt early intervention by the foreign powers in Shanghai would have averted any violation of the neutrality of the International Settlement, and one wonders whether the same principle, applied to the situation in China generally, would provide the solution. There are big issues at stake, but at the moment they appear to be based almost exclusively on self-interest. If the world, whose life is vitally influenced by prevalent conditions in the Far East, could substitute universal co-operation and disinterestedness for self-interest, possibly the Sino-Japanese conflict, with its distressing effect upon the welfare and happiness of so vast a proportion of the world, would find a much speedier and more satisfactory ending.—S. A. G.

Senator Warren of Wyoming, was reading in the newspapers of Captain Pershing's gallant exploits in the far away Philippines. She expressed a desire to meet the hero, although she was only half his age.

The opportunity came that winter when Captain Pershing returned to Washington. After an introduction by her father, he took her to a dance at Fort Myer, and that night they danced every dance together. In January they were married, President and Mrs. Roosevelt attending the ceremony. Four children, three girls and a boy, were born to this union.

NOT until 1906, when he was 46 years of age and had spent twenty years in the service, did Pershing rise above the rank of captain. In September of that year, as a reward for his gallant campaign against the Moros, President Roosevelt jumped over the heads of 862 officers who had seniority claims, and made him brigadier general. Immediately the howl went up in Congress that President Roosevelt had played politics because Pershing was Senator Warren's son-in-law. Pershing kept grimly silent.

Fate was unkind to him, but long years in the army enabled him to bide his sorrows under the stoicism that is military. His troop was mounted and he himself was on his horse ready to depart on one of his expeditions against the Moros when one day an orderly brought him a message that his mother was dead.

Transferred to Mexican border service in 1915, he went to El Paso to make arrangements for a home, temporarily leaving Mrs. Pershing and their four children in the Presidio at San Francisco. Again an orderly came to him with a message—a message telling him that the Presidio had been destroyed by fire during the night and that his wife and three of his children were dead.

BUT fate, seemingly trying to atone for her cruelty toward him in the past, gave him in 1917 the opportunity to inscribe his name beside those of Washington and Grant and other famous generals in the nation's history. How well he mastered that opportunity when President Wilson sent him to command the American Expeditionary Forces in France is a matter of history.



GENERAL JOHN PERSHING

The War in Europe had dragged on for nearly three years, the German were beating at the doors of France. Before him was a mission that would try the soul of any man.

On June 8, 1917, General Pershing and his staff arrived in England. A British band was playing "The Star Spangled Banner" when he docked at Liverpool, and in London he was feted by King George. France, too, received him almost as a blessing straight from heaven when he stepped ashore at Boulogne on June 13, symbolising the millions of America's sons who would follow. In Paris next day "Vive l'Amérique!" roared the greeting as the bands played, thousands cheered and all Paris reeled with joy.

As the highest honour that France could bestow upon him, they permitted him to kiss the sword of Napoleon, which had lain in its case, untouched by human hands, since the days of Louis Philippe. They took him next to the tomb of Lafayette and upon that tomb he laid a wreath of American Beauty roses in silence.

In those hectic days when the developments of a single hour might have turned the course of the world, Pershing was fighting with his back to the wall—not against the Germans, but against the British and French commands, who wanted to rush the raw oncoming American divisions almost at straight into their armies. He stood out firmly for a distinct American army of his own making; never, he said, would he send American boys into that slaughter without first giving them the benefit of all the training he could. Pershing held his ground and won.

On March 28, 1918, General Pershing made history when he went to General Foch and put all of America's resources at the latter's disposal.

WHAT General Pershing said to Foch that day you may read in the Library of Congress at Washington, for a copy of his offer, written in the General's own handwriting, is framed there:

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Pershing had found Foch in the latter's headquarters in a little house screened by the trees near Clermont. The lines faded from the grizzled old Frenchman's worried face as the unexpected offer fell from Pershing's lips and, so the story goes, he threw both arms around him and kissed him time and again.

Pershing went home in 1919, with the last division to leave France. New York received him that day like a returning Caesar. But it didn't turn his head one bit. He was still the same modest "Black Jack" Pershing of the cavalry.

## WHAT IS YOUR PHOBIA?

### By A Medical Man

MOST people are scared by the word "phobia." They hear of Smith, who has claustrophobia, and will never use a lift because he dreads being in a confined space; of Jones, who has agoraphobia, and is terrified of walking along a crowded street; of Brown, who insists on touching every lamp-post he passes; of Robinson, who becomes a trembling wreck on finding himself in the same room as a cat, and they come to the not unnatural conclusion that a phobia is the first step that leads to the padded cell.

It would be nearer the truth to say that our phobias are frequently our most treasured possessions, in that they give us the charm and individuality that earn us the love and esteem of our fellows.

No one is completely sane. We are all a little mad on some point, even if it is only a conviction that we could, if we wished, write a successful novel or govern the country far better than those elected to this onerous task. Sanity is a very overrated quality, and if you doubt me, try to visualise how utterly boring a man would be if he were completely sane.

### Playing Tricks with Time

Because we are human we do constantly allow ourselves to slip from the rigid control of perfect sanity. Many of the most delightful people are chronically unpunctual, which simply means they have a phobia about time. Sub-consciously they resent the passing years that rob them of youth and vitality and bring them nearer to the grave. So they smother their fear by ignoring time as much as possible.

Another extremely charming trait is extravagance. Paradoxically enough, this is usually caused by a fear of poverty. Extravagant people so hate the idea of being poor that they

spend frantically in the endeavour to create the illusion they are rich. Admittedly, the phobia often has disastrous results, and hurries the victims into the poverty they loathe; but in innumerable cases it acts as a powerful incentive to work harder and so actually brings about the desired state of wealth.

Let us, then, look upon our phobias as being minor symptoms of that slight lack of balance which afflicts all of us. At the same time, we must face the fact that phobias are not all so pleasant as those already mentioned, and that any phobia is capable of developing to such an exaggerated state that it becomes a definite challenge to sanity.

### Too Clean

For instance, a man may have a bit of phobia about cleanliness. He invariably has a bath night and morning, and washes his hands several times during the day, being genuinely upset if for any reason he is unable to adhere to his routine.

That is perfectly in order. But suppose he develops a definite fear that, unless he constantly washes himself, germs will settle on his hands and he will infect all his friends with disease. Suppose he still further protects himself by wearing gloves all day long to prevent the germs reaching his skin. Then it becomes a mild form of insanity, and unless cured by treatment in an institution might lead to delusions of all kinds.

That, incidentally, was the actual experience of a bank clerk I knew. Fortunately he had the good sense to go voluntarily to a mental hospital, and soon recovered his balance.

Another common phobia is the folle de doute—doubting foolishness. These people who cannot make up their minds, who are incapable of coming to a decision and then abiding by it, are a sore trial to themselves and their families. They are the people who spend hours in a shop, fray the assistants' nerves, and then walk out without making a purchase. When one remembers that indecision, lack of concentration, and changeability are the chief characteristics of mental deficiency, it is clear that sufferers from folle de doute should make every effort to bring their wandering wits under better control.

Yet it is quite a usual thing for a person to acquire a baseness fear of some little detail and be unable to overcome it, even though the brain may be keen and active in other ways. I know the managing director of a big business who goes through agonies of doubt every evening when he shuts his office up to go home. He can never be certain he has locked the safe. He gets to the door of his room, goes back and tries the safe, gets out into the street and then has to hurry back to assure himself that when he tried the door previously he really did lock it, and so on. He is perfectly aware of the foolishness of his conduct, but that makes no difference.

When all is said and done, who is to say what is real and what is illusory in this life of ours? Not one of us is able to satisfy all the desires that would make of existence a perfect thing. So our subconscious minds come to our rescue and manufacture for us those phobias that protect us from our gravest fears or grant us the wishes for which we most ardently hope. So long as they keep within reasonable bounds, our phobias are nothing worse than the pretty fairy tales our mothers used to tell us to sweeten the days of our childhood.



## DESPERATE WARFARE IN NORTH

Refugees Swarming Westward Along Lunghai Road  
(BY JACK BELDEN)

Tungkuang, March 1. The westward movement of General Sung Chieh-yuen's army has now reached Hainan, 20 miles west of Loyang, and already portions of the army have reached the southern side of the Yellow River and are moving along the Lunghai railway. They thus leave an entrance to Shan-shi almost open and a way for the Japanese to strike at General Wei Li-huang's rear.

Meanwhile, Chinese refugees have commenced a wholesale westward trek to Sian and the Lunghai railway is jammed with Peiping-Kowloon rolling stock and refugees are swarming. They engulfed the station as I arrived here last night.

Thousands are pouring in from Shansi, crossing the Yellow River. They say Linfen has been bombed hour after hour and to live there is most dangerous.

### Terrible Fighting

General Fan Tsung-yin, defence commander in the sector from Loyang to the westward, told me that 15,000 Japanese were wounded at Fengyang and 10,000 Chinese in horrible fighting. The Japanese struck at the Chinese rear-guard and the Chinese swung back and inflicted terrible losses on the Japanese rear in retaliation.

General Wei Li-huang, west of Lingshih, is trying to bludgeon his way north, while General Chu Teh, from eastern Shansi, has a strong, striking force against the Japanese rear.

The Japanese are employing the same tactics that have served them so well in the past. They are trying to flank the Chinese armies.

The terrific Japanese bombings have drawn officials from Linfen into the countryside.

The Yellow River is very low near here and there are many good fords. The inns are all filled. I am the only foreigner in the town. A Chinese missionary who found me wondering about bewildered, took me home.—United Press.

## DIPLOMAT'S WORK PRAISED

SHANGHAI THANKS MR. R. G. HOWE

Shanghai, Mar. 1. Mr. R. G. Howe, who was sent to China to act as British Charge d'Affaires after the wounding of Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, the Ambassador, by Japanese planes on August 22nd of last year, is sailing this morning for England by the P. and O. Comorin.

Mr. Howe remained as Charge d'Affaires until the arrival of Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the new Ambassador, on February 24.

On the eve of his departure Mr. Howe received a letter from the British Chamber of Commerce, offering him warm thanks on behalf of the British community for his work.—Reuter.

## EX-AMBASSADOR MAY BE NEW GOVERNOR

Shanghai, Mar. 1. The serious domestic crisis arising from the refusal of the Szechuen military authorities to accept General Chang Chun as Governor of the province has been finally resolved, according to Chinese reports.

The Central Government has evidently made concessions, Chinese despatches predicting that Mr. Hsu Shi-ying, former Ambassador to Tokyo, will be given the appointment.—Reuter.

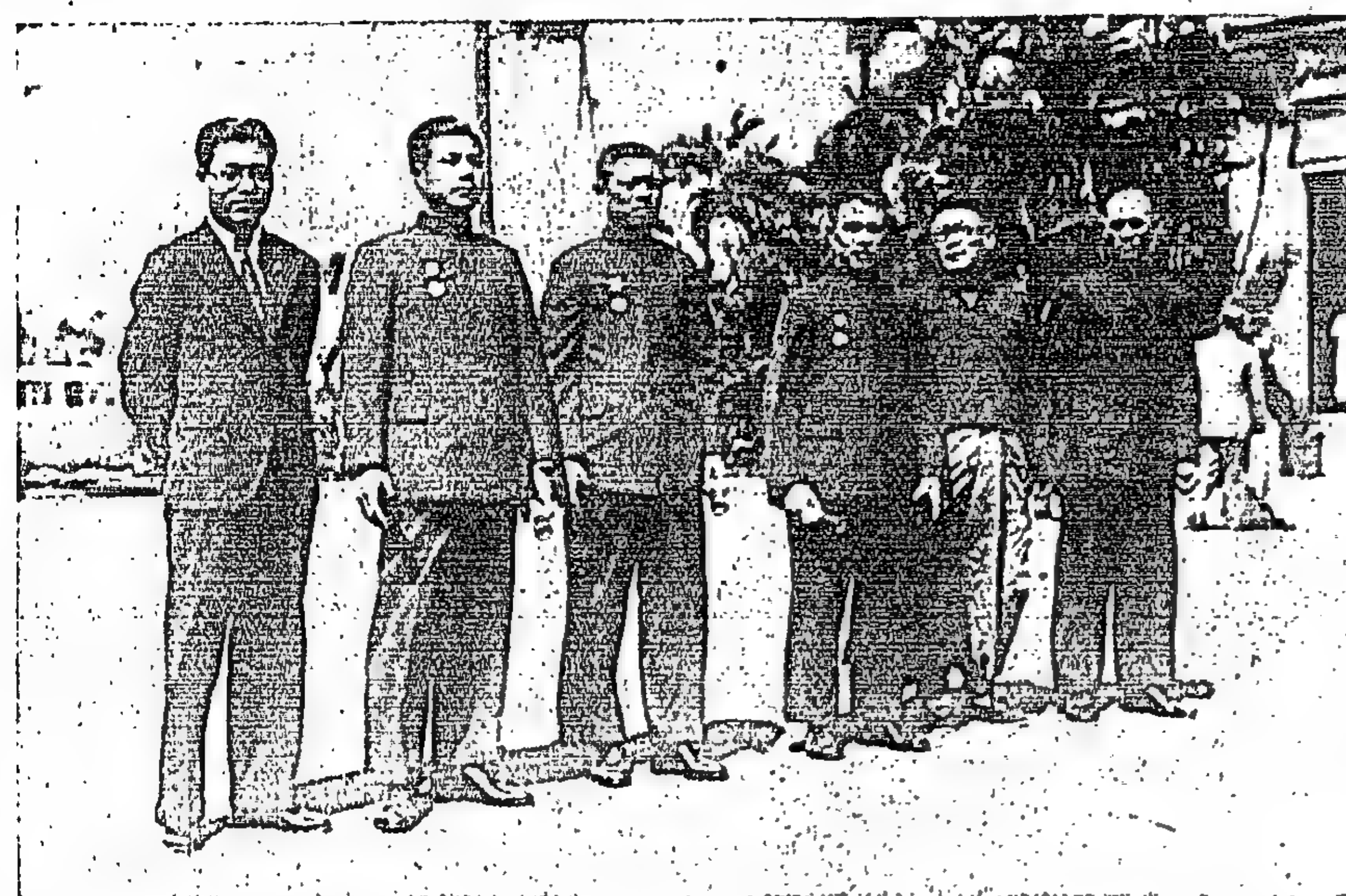
## HITLER WILL VISIT ITALY DURING MAY

Berlin, Feb. 28. The Deutsches Nachrichten Bureau stated today that Herr Adolf Hitler will visit Italy in May.

Among other places he will visit Florence, Naples and Rome, and he will witness Army and Navy reviews and will probably attend Fascist mass meetings.—United Press.

## JAPAN TO PREPARE FOR OLYMPICS

Tokyo, Mar. 1. The Olympic organization decided yesterday vigorously to campaign in favour of staging the winter Olympics at Sapporo, and also decided to immediately proceed with the construction of all the necessary stadiums.—United Press.



MEMBERS OF THE CREW of the British steamer Hopsang, who received Gallant Conduct medals from His Excellency the Governor in connection with the wreck of the ship last year.

## To Control Policy In Asia

New Japan Ministry Is Advocated

Tokyo, Mar. 1. Opinion is gaining strength that the Japanese Government is in favour of the establishment of a new ministry called the Asiatic Affairs Department, according to the newspaper Yomiuri.

Proponents of the measure say it could be created by a merger of the existing Manchuria Affairs Board, the Asiatic Bureau, the Chinese section of the Foreign Office and the Overseas Ministry, the latter having jurisdiction over Japanese administrations in Formosa, Korea, Sakhalin and the mandated territories in the South Seas.

It is claimed that amalgamation of these organs would adjust Japan's Asiatic policy in order to meet new developments in China, including the growth of the provisional Government of North China.—Reuter.

## WOOD THIEVES ACTIVE

A raid by the police on wood thieves last evening resulted in the arrest of several men and women who appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the possession of varying amounts of tree wood.

Leung Ki, 64, earth cooler, charged with the possession of 50 cuttings of tree wood, was sentenced to three months' hard labour and recommended for banishment. Inspector A. V. Baker said the man seemed to be a habitual wood thief, having four previous convictions for the same offence.

Four women, including an 80-year-old widow, were also charged with unlawful possession of wood. Inspector Baker said there was a crowd of over 50 persons coming down from the Peak with wood, but the police only managed to arrest a few. The younger persons threw their bundles away and fled.

The old widow was cautioned, and another woman, who had two previous convictions, was fined \$10 or six weeks' hard labour. The other two were each fined \$6 or three weeks' hard labour.

## WREATH LAID IN MEMORY OF WELSH WAR DEAD

The Hongkong St. David's Society celebrated the Patron Saint's Day this morning at 11 a.m. by laying a wreath at the Cenotaph to the memory of Welsh who died in the Great War.

The wreath was a large and beautiful one with a Welsh Harp worked in the centre composed of red roses. The card was inscribed: "For Remembrance, from the Hongkong St. David's Society."

It was laid by Mr. F. W. Davies, President of the Society, who was accompanied by Mr. D. Davies, Mr. D. F. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall.

## CLOUDY WEATHER TO CONTINUE

Cloudy weather, with moderate easterly winds, is forecast for the next 24 hours.

Temperature has been steadily climbing since last week's cold spell, and reached 70 degrees this morning for the first time since February 17. Humidity had also risen slightly this morning to 64 per cent., compared with 53 per cent. at the corresponding time yesterday.

Yesterday's maximum temperature was 69 degrees, seven degrees above the minimum.

No rainfall has been recorded in Hongkong for the past week.

## NEW MONEY FOR N. CHINA

Federated Bank Notes Sole Legal Tender

Shanghai, Mar. 1. Bank notes issued by the Federated Reserve Bank of China, which is expected to open for business sometime this month, will be North China's sole legal tender, says a semi-official Japanese despatch from Peiping.

Notes, issued by the Central Bank of China, and the Bank of Communications, will be gradually withdrawn from circulation.

Failure by officials to complete the necessary preparations is given as the reason for the postponement of the opening of the Federated Reserve Bank, which was originally scheduled for March 1.—Reuter.

## Distinguished Men To Probe Palestine Problems

London, Feb. 28. Three members of the Palestine Commission have been appointed, and the appointment of a fourth member is still under consideration. Sir John Woodhead, who has had a distinguished career in the Indian Civil Service will be Chairman. He was, in 1931, made a temporary member of the council of the Governor-General and from 1932 to 1937 was a finance member of the Government of Bengal. He acted as Governor in Sir John Anderson's absence from Bengal in the latter half of 1937.

Sir Alison Russell, who after a long career in the colonies, retired in 1929 from the Chief Justiceship of Tanganyika, and was chairman of the committee of enquiry into disturbances in the copperbelt of Northern Rhodesia in 1935, and Mr. A. P. Waterfield, Principal Assistant Secretary in the Treasury, are the other members.

The Commission will start work in England about the middle of March and will probably leave for Palestine about a month later.—British Wireless.

## Son of Wealthy Lawyer Held By Kidnappers

New Rochelle, N.Y., Feb. 28. It is revealed today that Peter Levine, 12-year-old son of a wealthy lawyer, who disappeared on February 24 on his way home from school, has been kidnapped.

A ransom of U.S. \$50,000 is being demanded by the kidnappers.

Police are reported to be delaying taking any action pending efforts by the boy's father to negotiate for his son's return.—Reuter.

## HALIFAX RECEIVES SEAL OF OFFICE

London, Feb. 28. At a council held by the King at Buckingham Palace this evening, Lord Halifax kissed hands on his appointment as Foreign Secretary, and received the seal of office. At the council there was also the ceremony in which Lord Halifax, the Lord Chancellor received a new great seal of the realm, and the King, using a hammer "demanded" the old seal by striking it.—British Wireless.

## Shanghai Foreigners Threatened

Letters Convey Ugly Warning

Shanghai, Mar. 1. The Briton, Mr. H. M. Cumine and the American, Mr. Hal P. Mills, received further threatening letters yesterday. The letter to Mr. Mills asked for a "loan" of \$30,000, "otherwise we shall have to borrow your head."

Mr. Cumine received three letters, one of which contained three rows of seven red circles, and another asking him to expect a 200 lb. bomb. The third letter, which also contained a threat against his life, had a Japanese flag drawn on it, and the word "Banzai".—Reuter.

## Long Prison Term For Banishee

Sentence of twelve months' hard labour was inflicted on Chan Chik-lin, 20, unemployed, by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning.

He was charged with returning from life banishment imposed on July 20, 1937. The man had several previous convictions, principally for being offences.

Detective-Sergeant J. Allen prosecuted.

## BOY STOLEN WOMAN ARRESTED, APPEARS IN COURT

A remand of 48 hours was granted Detective-Sergeant J. Allen by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he prosecuted Lam Fung, 38, widow, on a charge of stealing a boy, Tse Shun-cheung, then aged four, from No. 62 First Street, first floor, on December 24, 1937.

The woman was arrested by the police in West Point on February 27.

## TURKEY AND GREECE MAKE PACT

Ankara, Feb. 28. The Greek Premier and the Turkish Foreign Minister today initiated a 10-year Turkish-Greek cordial entente. The pact provides for the co-ordination of common action in the foreign policy of both countries. The agreement will be signed in the spring.—Reuter Special.

## PARLIAMENT WELCOMES INDIA TRANQUILITY

London, Feb. 28. The news of an agreement reached between the Governor and Ministers in the United Provinces and Bihar, and the withdrawal of the latter's resignations was welcomed by the Under-Secretary for India in a statement at question time in the House of Commons.—British Wireless.

## SNATCHER TO BE CANED

Sentence of six months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane was imposed on a young man, Li Ming, 22, by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfarlane at the Kowloon Magistracy today, for snatching a gold and jade earring from a woman in Shanghai Street, Kowloon, yesterday. The woman's ear was slightly torn.

## RADIO BROADCAST

St. David's Day Marked By Welsh Programme

### BEEHIVEN CONCERTO

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s., 0.52 m.c.s. per second. 11 K.T.

12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

### 12.30 A Welsh Programme.

The Lark-Selection (Middleton). The London Palladium Orch. cond. by Richard Croon; Praise Of Wales (Gellionydd and Wwlyd); The Gipsy (Crwys). William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp accom. by Telynores Gwynnig; Dear Wales (Roberts); The Village Spring (Roberts); Lella Megan (Contralto) with Harp accom. by T. Osborne; Robert All Through The Night; March Of The Men Of Harlech (Welsh Air); Royal Mountain Ash Male Choir.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Barnabas Von Geerz and His Orchestra.

Poem (Fibich); Malaga (Rixner); Ragamuffin (Rixner); Pony (Rixner); Blue Skies (Rixner); Siciliania (Apollonio); Forget It, And Smile (Bohmelt); Pusztai (Mihaly); Fresh Breezes (Borchert).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from The Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Speaker: T. Smith, Esq., Manager, Islington Corinthians.

2.15 Close down.

6.0-6.45 Chinese Programme.

6.45 London Relay—The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.

Leader, Frank Thomas; Conductor, Idris Lewis; Trevor Anthony (Bass); Orchestra Selection From the Welsh Hills (Idris Lewis); Trevor Anthony and Orchestra; Breuddwyd Glyndwr (Williams); Y Marchwr (Joseph Parry); Orchestra; Glyndwr (Malwyn Price); Trevor Anthony; Paradywys; Can y Teithiwr; Y Cymro (Williams); Orchestra; The Hilarious Horn; Y Draig Goch (Thomas).

7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations. 7.35 New Variety.

Dance Orch.—Mind Your Step!—Fox-Trot; When The Lads Are Off To Dance. Otto Dobrindt and His Piano Symphonists; Vocal: Climbing Up The Golden Stairs (arr. Hill Billies); In The Moonlight's Glow (The Hill Billies). The Hill Billies; Humorous: Grub Handley-Frankau; Music (Grieg); Handley-Frankau; Murgatroyd and Winterbottom; Piano—China Doll Parade (Zamecnik); 52nd Street—Selection. Patricia Rossborough.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Military Band Music. Mechanized Infantry—Quick March (McBain) (Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo—1936). Massed Bands Of The Aldershot and Eastern Commands cond. by David McBain; The Arcadians' Selection (Monckton). The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lt. J. C. Windram.

8.15 London Relay—Great Scientific Discoveries: The Breath of Life by Jonquil Antony.

The story of Antoine Lavoisier and his discovery of oxygen. Production by John Richmond.

8.45 Welsh Programme. Y Delys Arian—Rhonda Welsh Glee Singers; Dwydd Y Garreg Wen (arr. Osborne Roberts); Y Bwthyn Bach To Gwilt (arr. Osborne Roberts); Lella Megan (Contralto); Savoy Welsh Medley (arr. Somers).

New Mayfair Orchestra; Cywdd Y Gof (Gwilym Hiralto); Breuddwyd (David Norrington); William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp accom. by Telynores Gwynnig; Ar Hyd Y Nos; My Little Welsh Home (Songs of the Welsh Mountains—Williams); Lella Megan (Contralto); Menta Gwen; Yu Inch I Ti Cumri. Evan Williams (Tenor).

9.15 London Relay—British Industries Fair, 1938.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Beethoven—Concerto No. 3 In C Minor, Op. 37. Played by Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.20 Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano). Night And Dreams (Collins-Schubert); Happiness (Holtz-Schubert); Near The Beloved (Goethe-Schubert); Laughing And Weeping (Ruckert-Schubert). Piano accom. by Gerold Moore.

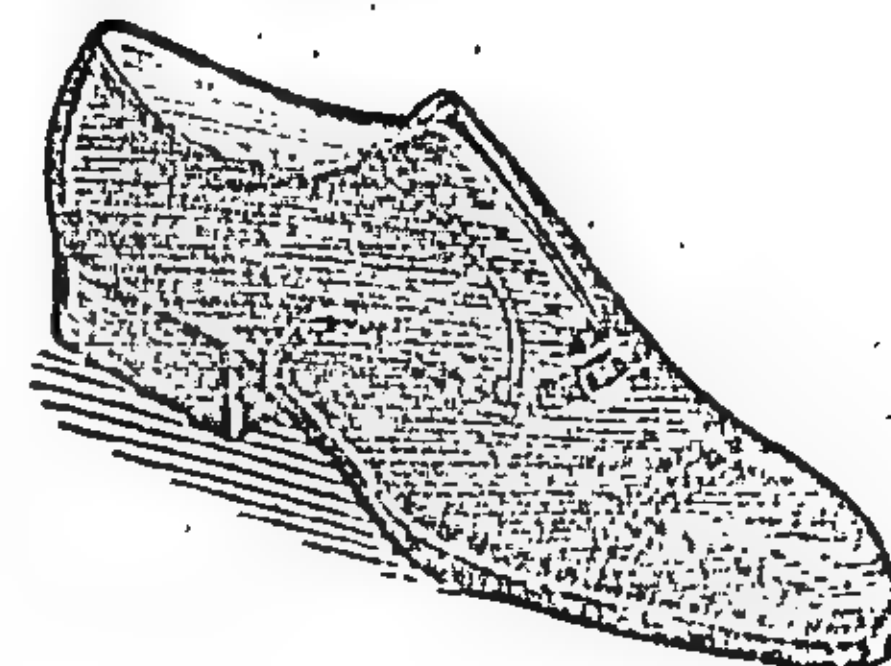
10.34 Delys—Suite For Flute, Violin, Viola, Violoncello And Harp. Op. 91. Played by the Quintette Instrumental De Paris.

10.50 Mendelssohn—Fingal's Cave Overture. Played by St. Louis Symphony Orchestra cond. by Rudolph Ganz. 11.0 Close down.

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## European Car-Owner Fined \$25

NEARLY KNOCKED DOWN BOY, SAID PROSECUTOR

Summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for driving his car, No. 4105, in a dangerous manner in Hennessy Road on February 15, R. A. Stride, of Lane, Crawford, Ltd., was fined \$25. Defendant did not appear in Court, but pleaded guilty to the offence by letter.

Traffic Sergeant G. Youe stated that he followed Stride from Gilman's Garage eastward along Hennessy Road, and at no time was defendant's speed less than 32 miles per hour. In fact, after passing Percival Street, he increased his speed to 38 miles per hour. There were numerous tramway safety islands along the road, and these were crowded with passengers, but defendant made no attempt to slow down as he passed them. He almost knocked down a small boy who had stepped off one of the islands.

### OTHER CASES

A Chinese driver, Yu Fu, was summoned for driving private car No. 4732 without a valid licence in the Pokfulam Road on February 9, and for driving without due care and caution on the same day. He admitted both offences.

Sub-Inspector W. Armit, said he was driving up Pokfulam Road when he saw a bus coming from the opposite direction. As he came up with the bus, defendant, driving the private car, attempted to overtake the bus, swerving out to do so, and causing the Inspector to pull up abruptly. Defendant also stopped, but immediately restarted and continued on. The Inspector, who was in uniform, shouted to him to stop, but the man did not do so. It was

## Widow's Ears Torn When Thief Snatched Ornaments

CANING MAY BE INFLICTED

A young Chinese, Tam Choi, 21, unemployed, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with snatching a pair of gold earrings worth \$50 from a widow, Chan Ki, 62, at Hennessy Road near Landale Street, yesterday.

He was additionally charged with returning from banishment, having been sent away for 10 years on June 17, 1937.

Inspector A. V. Baker said the snatching offence was particularly serious, as the woman's ears were injured when defendant pulled off the earrings. Defendant, he added, had three previous convictions.

Defendant, who admitted both offences, was remanded for 48 hours to ascertain his fitness for a caning.

## GERMAN BISHOP ON TRIAL

Berlin, Feb. 28. The trial of Pastor Niemoller is being resumed on March 2, and it is expected to end the same day. The Public Prosecutor is expected to ask for a sentence of imprisonment of 10 months or two years, with a ban on Bishop Niemoller's preaching.—Reuter Bulletin.

Later discovered that he had no valid licence to drive the car. A fine of \$5 was imposed on the first count, and another \$20 on the second count.

G. Kotwall, of 14 King's Road, was cautioned when he was summoned for causing an obstruction on the footpath at Seen Keen Terrace, King's Road, on February 10, with his car, No. 1744.



# COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS START QUIETLY

## EIGHT MATCHES DECIDED ON THE FIRST DAY COMFORTABLE VICTORY FOR THE LO BROTHERS

(By "Abd")

The 1938 Grass-court Tennis Championships of the Colony started at the Hongkong C.C. courts yesterday afternoon rather quietly. Altogether, eight matches were played, five in the singles and three in the doubles, and of these only one went to the third set; the others were decided in two.

At such an early stage of the competitions, it is of course not to be expected that the ties would produce anything outstanding. Nevertheless, though on paper some of yesterday's matches promised some even tussles, expectations were not realised.

For instance, nobody would have thought that the doubles game between the veterans, M. K. and M. W. Lo, and the Canton pair of B. Szeto and D. K. Leung, would turn out to be such a one-sided affair. And yet this tie ended in a victory for the Lo brothers by 6-1, 6-0. No decision could have been more convincing than this. The match lasted approximately 20 minutes.

When one realises that Szeto and Leung are prominent players from Canton—the latter, I understand, is present champion of that city—one may be forgiven for thinking that the Lo brothers must have played a very high brand of tennis indeed to allow their formidable opponents only one game in two sets. Actually, however, they were never extended and merely sailed along merrily to their victory without any undue effort.

### ARMY HOPES DASHED

One of the steepest dashes from the Chinese R.C. S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok, had to play three sets before they could get through against A.



W. A. Land.

Warr and W. A. Land, of the Army. As a matter of fact, it was not until they had conceded the first set that the Chinese settled down to their usual steady play. Neither Kwok nor Liang could be said to be brilliant at any stage of the encounter but their steadiness and their excellent retrieving prevailed in the end.

Land's prowess in other fields of sport is already well-known, but his match yesterday was, I think, his debut in competitive tennis in the Colony. He proved himself to be quite a useful player with a fastish service but his ground strokes have still to show considerable improvement before he can reach the forefront.

### QUICK SINGLES

Except for one match, the singles were all decided quickly. S. A.

### Badcock Is Going To England

Adelaide, Feb. 16.

Badcock, star South Australian batsman, has been pronounced fit and is definitely going to England with the Australian Test team. Earlier messages stated that he had failed to pass the doctor and his certificate of fitness had been held over.—*Reuter*.

Rumjahn, a former champion and runner-up last year, had some useful practice against Major E. T. Baines. He won the first set at 6-2, but twelve game were needed before he could annex the second.

Perhaps the best tie was that in which A. Crawford defeated Marsland by 6-4, 6-4. Though he won in two sets, Crawford was made to fight all the way and there were some fine rallies in which both men shone in turn. Crawford, however, was less prone to make mistakes than his left-handed opponent.

E. F. Fincher entered the next round at the expense of Ma Nai-kwong, but Ma struck me as a young player of considerable promise. He has a pleasing style, with a good drive on both wings. His misfortune was to meet "Teddy" at such an early stage of the competition.

Leung Ping-chiu made short work of H. Y. Ho, winning without the loss of a single game. Leung proved master of Ho's pat-ball tactics and beat the latter at his own game. F. V. Harrison also got through in convincing fashion.

### Results of yesterday's matches:

#### OPEN SINGLES

S. A. Rumjahn beat Major Baines 6-1, 7-5.  
F. V. Harrison beat P. S. Leung 6-1, 6-0.  
E. C. Fincher beat Ma Nai-kwong 6-1, 6-2.  
Leung Ping-chiu beat H. Y. Ho 6-0, 6-0.  
A. Crawford beat Marsland 6-4, 6-4.

#### OPEN DOUBLES

M. K. and M. W. Lo beat B. Szeto and D. K. Leung 6-1, 6-0.  
S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok beat A. Warr and W. A. Land 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.  
Wong Shu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung beat A. Chan and H. Chan 6-4, 6-1.

#### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—J. F. L. Smalley v. I. M. A. Razacki; Cdr. R. H. Rump v. J. C. Pool; Tsui Yun-pui v. W. J. Skidner; Cheong Ping-yeung v. Tennis Wong; W. C. Hung v. Bonnie Wang.  
Doubles—G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v. Wei Chung and Pang Oi-lan; H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce v. Leisen Lew and Peter U; A. C. I. Bowker and W. M. Barton v. R. B. Bulpin and F. A. Fowler; Paul Kong and Lee Wai-long v. Ip Cho-pong and Lui Kwai-fan.



Picture taken on Sunday of the Islington Corinthian and Colony football teams which met at Caroline Hill on Sunday. The tourists won the encounter by five goals to one. (Photo: King's Studio).

### Cricket Notes

By "R. Abbit"

## Hongkong C. C. And Indians In Close Game THREE LEAGUE MATCHES IN JUNIOR DIVISION

One felt last Saturday that, although there were only three League matches and those in the Junior Division, we were really getting back to cricket after that appalling spell of bad weather, and the pony business.

The most interesting game in the Junior Division was a non-league game between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Indian Recreation Club. The latter side battled first and Nazarin (23), Kitchell (20), A. R. Abbas (19), and Mian (16) played quite stout cricket. They were all of them hitting the ball very hard. Nazarin made some very nice shots—until he hit right across one from Owen-Hughes. Abbas hit one terrifically hard back at Owen-Hughes who caught it, but I imagine he rather wished he had not, as he got his finger pushed back and had to get it patched up. However, it was not as bad as the one which happened about 12 months ago when he followed up his own bowling to Madar and stopped a red hot return drive with his mouth, losing one or two teeth and being badly knocked out. Although there was some quite useful scores the Indians' total only went up to 147 runs. Swain, whose last match it is for the Club, had a couple of wickets for 25 and Leckie swung them with the new ball to take 3 for 24. Owen-Hughes and Perry each had a couple but the former was a bit expensive.

#### SPLENDID FINISH

Neve and Perry did not come off but Kibbee played quite well for his 19 and Leckie, although he only made 14, had a most beautiful six in it, when he seemed merely to push back the ball to the bowler and it went over the screen at the Naval Yard end. Haynes and Ride, however, were the salvation of the Club in the middle, scoring 44 and 28 respectively, although Haynes should have had at least three more runs as he declined to run for what he thought was a boundary and found the joke was on him. Things got really exciting at the end. Owen-Hughes had a good stand with Hayward before being L.B.W. to Minu for 11 runs. (Mem. To tell my people that if they must scissor the scores they should add them up to see that they total correctly!) However, things got definitely hectic when he went.

The eighth wicket fell at 141 or thereabouts and the ninth at 155, leaving three runs to win. (I am not absolutely sure of the exact figures as I am going on hearsay, and it doesn't work out with the score). Anyway, what happened was that Tom Hayward took a single and left Dunnett to play out four balls of the over which he did with complete ease. Hayward then needed Minu bowling from the Law Courts end and the field crowded in. Hayward hit a beautiful six right over to the Law Courts. I have a sort of feeling that this is the first six he has hit for some time but if I am wrong I apologise. It was really a very fine finish.

#### JUNIOR DIVISION LEAGUE

It will probably not surprise anyone to find that the I.R.C. defeated the Civil Service second eleven in

the Junior League last Saturday. Daniels, for the first time I think for a long while, failed and apart from 24 by H. E. Strange (who may now be considered as a veteran perhaps), Macgowan (16) and Warr (10) no-one did anything at all. The Civil Service were all out for 70 and K. M. Rumjahn crunched up a 61 and Barma 28. I am told that the I.R.C. won by 9 wickets, in which case H. T. Barma retired before they had won! The rest seems to have been rather cracking fun as in the end they lost 7 wickets for 122 runs. N. Singh bowled very well for the Indians to take 7 wickets for 23. I was interested to notice that I. All was not playing for the second and I fancy he was the Ismail All who was given a try out in the first against the Hongkong Club and made 12 runs. I am particularly glad to see his promotion.

#### A SURPRISE

The Army "A" team either had an off day or did not like the mulling at Pokfulam as they were all out for 100 of which Northcott made 29, Calvert 22 and Gill 15. The rest did nothing. The University seem to have come on a lot, possibly owing to the advent of K. T. Loke. He made 30 while Teoh had 22 and Ling 21. Their total was 129. The most notable bowling feat was that of Ng whose figures read 12-2-42-7, a very excellent performance.

#### H.K.C.C. WIN

Over at the Recreation ground I understand that Recreation won the toss and put in the Hongkong Club second eleven. At first it looked as if they had done the right thing as Armstrong was bowled by the first ball of the match and three wickets were down for 10 runs in 25 minutes. However, they played a very stout and dour innings of 34, while Mitchell forced things a bit, while he only got 13 and N. P. Fox, who only received 4 balls, hit a six and a four off two of them. It was left for V. C. Bond to play a good knock of 25 for the second top score, while D. S. Robb was not out with 15 to his credit when the innings was declared at 144 for 9. Alves bowled well to take 6 wickets for 23 runs. I am told that in his first spell of nine overs, he sent down three maidens and took three wickets for 16 runs.

When the Recreation came to bat they had an excellent start from Soares and Noronha, who put up 40 for the first wicket, but then the first three wickets fell quickly. Xavier being run out by Armstrong with an excellent throw in which hit the stumps. This was the turning point of the game. After that it was more or less a procession. Woodhouse bowled very nicely (12-4-32-0). For the last 34 overs his analysis was 5 wickets with one maiden and two runs. However, one must not forget that he is an ex-interceptor bowler, although I fancy it was way back in 1920 when he represented the Colony. The Club won by 71 runs.

I am holding over three matches

### Ladies' Programme Next Week

It should be noted that the Ladies' Badminton programme arranged by the Club de Recreio will be held on the evening of Wednesday, March 9, and not to-morrow.

## Shelaeff Too Good In Manila Now Matched With Kid Vicente

Manila, Feb. 18. Manila will have to dig up some better welterweight boxing talent soon if it wants to keep Andre Shelaeff in the Philippines boxing kingdom.

Manila had barely heard of the 18-year-old Russian slugger when he arrived from Shanghai six months ago. Now he claims the welterweight championship of the Orient and looks much too good for any local opposition.

Neither Shelaeff nor his manager, Heinrich Seelig, are doing any talking about "new worlds to conquer," but the local boxing world believes they will suit for Hawaii or California unless a good challenger appears.

The present challengers all look considerably below Shelaeff's class. They are Young Alde, whom the Russian has defeated several times, Kid Vicente, Tiger Flowers and Rush Milling.

Vicente, who calls himself the Cebu Caveman, was scheduled to meet Shelaeff in December. He changed his mind a few days before the bout was to take place and is now definitely unpopular with the promoters who were forced to cancel the fight. However he has now fixed up to fight the champion on March 5.

Tiger Flowers returned recently from Singapore after a moderately successful campaign. He claims that Clever Henry, from whom Shelaeff won his title, was afraid to meet him when they were in Singapore together.

One Manila sports writer has suggested Shelaeff is already ripe for a trip to the United States to challenge such welterweights as the great Cefarino Garcia, who lost a close decision to world champion Barney Foster last year. Most persons believe, however, that the Russian boy needs much more experience before becoming worthy of meeting such talent.

Shelaeff declined to talk about rumours he plans to go to Honolulu for a bout with Kid Moro, former Oriental welter champion and now considered one of Hawaii's best fighters.

Shelaeff won the welterweight belt in January with a third-round knockout over Clever Henry, who had just returned from Australia with an impressive record including a victory over Tod Morg former world champion.

He defended his title February 5 in a "winner take all" bout with Henry, who claimed the previous knockout punch was lucky. Henry entered the ring obviously nervous in this second bout and lost a technical knockout in the second round. Shelaeff showed one of the most aggressive attacks in this bout Manila has seen in years.—*United Press*.

on Saturday and the account of the K.C.C. and Craighower Sunday game until my Friday article, through pressure of space.

## HOW JAPANESE WON TENNIS TITLE

### Matsumoto Shows Brilliant Form In Manila Final

Manila, Feb. 23. For the first time during the 1938 International tennis tournament that ended last night at the Rial Tennis Stadium, Matsumoto of Japan, number two ranking player from there, displayed the tennis that made him the second greatest star in the land of the rising sun. He played an extremely heady game and out-guessed Juan Ladaw, Jr., of FEU, in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1 and 7-5.

Many factors entered into last night's play. In the first place, Matsumoto played a remarkably steady game, driving deep to the corners and content for the greater part in waiting for Ladaw to err, which he did innumerable times.

On the other hand, Ladaw played by far the most unsteady game he has offered thus far in the tournament. He did not equal his brilliant performances against Tsuruta and L. Gavia. He missed the easiest of chances and taking his play as a whole, it goes without saying that he showed lack of competitive tennis, needing quite a bit more seasoning before he will be ready for the best invaders.

#### BAD MISTAKE

In trying to cut-volley Matsumoto he made a bad mistake. He left the net alone practically throughout, though it is a fact that toward the end, when he did try and come up, this style of play was effective in spots and only fell down through his own misuses.

To Ladaw goes a world of credit for not knowing when he was licked. Even when behind, 4-3 in the final set, and with the game score 40-15 with set point for the Japanese player, he refused to bow and duced the set at 5-all. With game score again at 6-5 in favour of Matsumoto and trailing at set point, he duced this game also after a brilliant rally that saw at least 25 or 30 returns by each player.

Boiling the facts down, Matsumoto's steady playing that bordered on the perfect, allowed the Filipino star to defeat himself through badly hit balls and poor judgment as far as attack goes.

The 11th game and crucial one, the real last stand of Ladaw, was a thriller. Matsumoto opened with a sideling placement for a point and Ladaw followed with a service ace, making it 15-all. Matsumoto drove a ball over the baseline after a beautiful rally and Ladaw netted after another nice volley, making it 30-all. Every point at this particular spot in the match was most carefully played and long volley after long volley resulted, Ladaw dropping a pretty placement into the right-hand corner but miscued at the net with another easy chance for the taking.

Matsumoto missed the sideling to deuce things up but the FEU boy flizzed an attempted smash as he backed up for a mid-court lob,

making it deuce. Matsumoto dropped a beautiful drive into the right and corner but was long on a baseline shot, deucing it once more.

Matsumoto again hit the corner with a dandy drive and the game ended when Ladaw missed a corner placement. The last and final game of the match saw the Filipino player erring four times, one being a netted backhand, two being shots that were over the baseline and the match point resulting from a missed attempt at the sideling.

#### ROWDY SPECTATORS

The "undesirables" were again out in force and cheered errors and points alike, even going so far as to call the shots themselves. They voiced their disappointment and pleasure decidedly and undoubtedly bothered the game of both the principals by refusing to be silenced while the ball was in play.

After the match ended, Dr. Victor Buencamino, president of the P.I.T.A., presented the cups to the victorious Japanese entries, the doubles having been won by the combination of Tsuruta and Matsumoto the day before from Ampon and Carmona.

Amado Sanchez and Y. Tsuruta played sparkling tennis in the second set of their two-set exhibition match yesterday. Both hit the ball hard and exchanged long hard drives throughout the last three games. Tsuruta won the first set, 6-3, and Sanchez won the second set, 7-5.

Sanchez came from behind, 4-2, to win the second set. In the seventh, eighth and ninth games, he allowed Tsuruta only two mere points and led, 5-4. Tsuruta came back in the tenth game and tied the score at 5-all, but Sanchez was really hitting then and caught Tsuruta flat-footed many times in the last two games to win the set, 7-5.—*Manila Bulletin*.

### Joe Davis is Still Champion

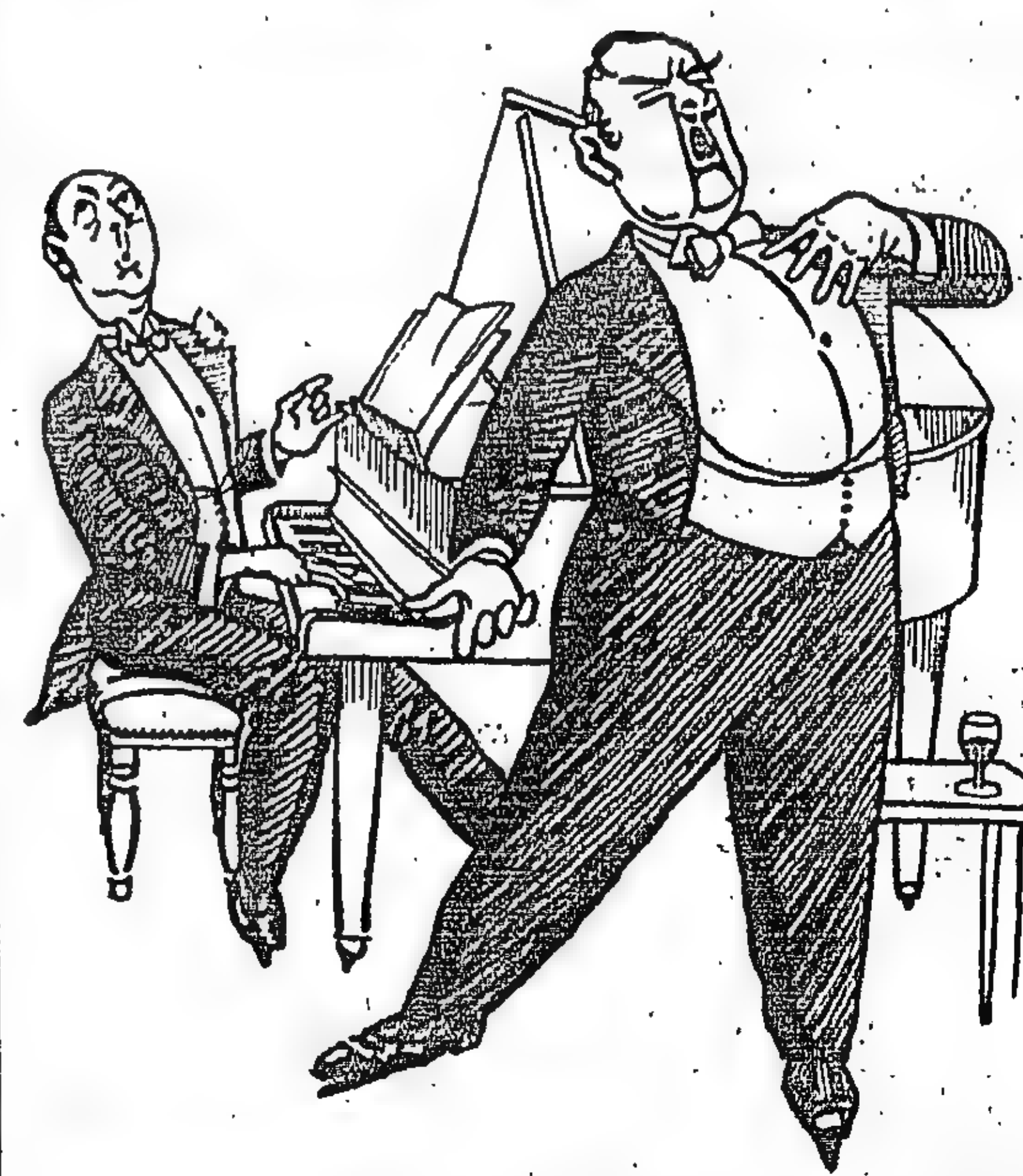
London, Jan. 31.

When Joe Davis beat Horace Lindrum by 37 frames to 34 in the Gold Cup snooker match at Thurston's on Saturday he became champion of the tournament for the second successive year.

Davis assured himself of victory by winning the second frame 68-57 in the early session after taking the first 70-72 on the black. In the first game at night he played brilliantly to compile a break of 82, and before the session ended he had two more runs of 48. Lindrum had a break of 64 in the fourth game of this session.

Scores (Davis first): 70-72 (on the black); 68-57, 36-29, 74-60, 60-39, 104-30, 51-94, 105-35, 20-109, 93-24.

## Successful Singers



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## SINGAPORE HOCKEY TEAM MAY TOUR JAVA

It is likely that a Singapore hockey eleven will leave on April 15 for a tour of Java at the invitation of the Java Hockey Association.

Another invitation, extended by the Hongkong H.A., for the visit of either a Singapore or a Malayan eleven for about the same time has had to be held over for the present.

Malaya's hockey ability is recognised over the Far East, and it is considered a great pity that rain caused the cancellation a while ago of a match on which all eyes in the Eastern hockey world were set—the meeting of Malaya and the Japanese Olympic eleven.

The Java tour should provide the local players with some excellent opposition, for it is on the cards that the Netherlands have followed the lead set by the mother country, Holland, which has the reputation of supplying a greater number of hockey players in proportion to population than any other country in the world.

Provisional arrangements for the tour comprise five games, the last of which will probably be against the whole of West Java, players being

drawn from Batavia, Buitenzorg, Bandung, Sourabaya and Samarang.

#### A TEN DAYS' TRIP

The players will be away from Singapore for ten days, and all expenses in Java—with the exception, of course, of personal items—will be defrayed by the Java H.A. More than thirty Singapore players—all of whom have taken part in State matches and trials—have been invited, and from the acceptance of a touring side will be selected. Leaving Singapore on April 15, the team will arrive in Batavia on Sunday, April 17, and play a match against Batavia.

Then will follow matches against Buitenzorg, Bandung and possibly one either against Samarang or Sourabaya or a combined eleven from those two districts.



## Australia's Davis Cup Team Picked

### Also Women Players For Wimbledon

Melbourne, Feb. 2.  
The Australian L. T. A., meeting here to-day, chose the Davis Cup team to compete in the American zone next summer, and the women's team to play at Wimbledon this year.

The teams are:  
**DAVIS CUP:** J. Bromwich, A. K. Quist, L. A. Schwartz and H. C. Hopman.  
**WOMEN:** Miss D. Stevenson, Miss N. Wynne, Miss T. Coyne and Mrs. H. C. Hopman.

Hopman has been appointed player-manager of the Davis Cup side and Miss Joan Hartigan is reserve in the women's side, who will leave Australia on March 8.

The Davis Cup team will not come to England to compete at Wimbledon, but may play in the American championships.

## SPORT ADVTS.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 12th March, 1938, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 3rd March, 1938.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
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## Seven-A-Side Rugger Tournament

### Seven Matches On Thursday

Some of the preliminary rounds of the seven-a-side rugby Tournament were played off on Monday, and results of these have already been published. Further games will be played on the Club ground at Happy Valley on Thursday, March 3, commencing at 4 p.m. There will be seven games on Thursday and play will continue until after 6 p.m. A small gathering of spectators saw some good games on Monday, the match between the Middlesex "A" side and H.M.S. Herald being the most exciting. At "no side" scores were level at 5 points all and extra time had to be played until the Middlesex scored the winning try. It is hoped that there will be a larger crowd of spectators on Thursday. Although the start of the matches is early at 4 p.m., spectators need not be deterred from attendance as there will be at least four matches to be seen after 5 p.m. Admission to any stand is fifty cents, with service men in uniform at half price.

Ties to be played on Thursday are as follows:

4 p.m. Seaforts C v. Malayan Prince; 4.20 p.m. Middlesex A v. Middlesex B; 4.40 p.m. Winners first game v. Royal Scots "A"; 5 p.m. Club A v. Police; 5.20 p.m. R. E. v. Civil Service; 5.40 p.m. Seaforts A v. Butterfield and Swire; 6 p.m. Seaforts B v. Hongkong Bank.

This will leave eight teams in the finals to be played on the same ground on Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m.

H. E. the Governor hopes to be present to view the latter stages of the Tournament.

Before the games on Saturday and during the intervals, by kind permission of the Officer Commanding and Officers, the Band of the 2nd Bn. Royal Scots will play.

An added attraction will be an amusing game of sack rugby, which will take place between the semi-final games and the final.

Admission charges on Saturday will be \$1.00 to the centre stand and fifty cents to other stands, service men in uniform at half price.

It is hoped that local Service and civilian charities will benefit by the attendance of a large crowd, who can be certain of a good afternoon's entertainment.

## LAWN BOWLS MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Committee of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association in the South China Morning Post Board Room on Tuesday, March 8, at 5.30 p.m.

years of age, she is regarded as the best all-round player in Australia. She is especially strong on the volley, and her court positioning is excellent. Mrs. Hopman, wife of the Davis Cup player Harry Hopman, is the third Victorian in the team. She is ranked fifth, one below Miss Hartigan, but her better form in the Australian championships (she lost to Miss Bundy in the semi-final, whereas Miss Hartigan was beaten in the quarter finals by Miss Stevenson) probably turned the scales in her favour.

## CORINTHIANS HELD TO A DRAW BY MACAO XI

### Last-Minute Goal Robs Tourists Of Victory

Macao, Feb. 28.  
It was a case of the unexpected happening even for the most optimistic when by a score of one-all, Macao drew in the match played against the Islington Corinthians this afternoon. It is understood that the visitors fielded their weakest side, but nevertheless everybody expected a walk-over for the British team.

As play proceeded, however, Macao amply displayed that their lack of weight was fully compensated by their superiority in speed, and it required the utmost vigilance on the part of the Corinthians to counter repeated attacks on their goal by the local forwards.

The match was honoured by the presence of H.E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tannagui, Barbosa, and Mr. F. J. Gellion, British Vice-Consul for Macao, both of whom were introduced to each one of the players after the line-up of the two teams.

No less than 3,000 spectators from every section of the community assembled within the Condamine enclosure to witness the game which was packed with thrills from start to finish. Among the visitors and local residents were Mrs. Gellion, Brig. Gen. Temudo de Vera and Mme. de Vera, Dr. C. Sampaio, Colonial Secretary, Capt. Gorgulho, Major Azev, Col. J. Vieira, Dr. A. Miranda, Comm. S. Vieira and Mme. Vieira, H. Bradbury, Commissioner of Customs, Mr. T. H. Well, American Vice-Consul for Canton, Capt. Cunningham-Graham and Mrs. Cunningham-Graham, other officers and men of H.M.S. Tarantula, officers and men of the sloop Bartholomew Dias, Lieut. A. Oliveira and Mme. Oliveira, Mr. Arthur Lew, Dr. Adolfo Jorec, Mr. Martins, British Civil Service cadets and other British residents and many others.

Immediately before play commenced, the Macao skipper presented a souvenir pennant to Clark, the Islington captain, following which young Master Barbosa, son of H.E. the Governor, kicked off towards Macao.

### VISITORS LEAD

Only two minutes after a brief exchange, Manning at the left flank taking up a neat pass from centre, directed a splendid shot which baffled the Macao custodian's efforts and the ball found the net to open the score for the Corinthians.

As play continued, the tactical defence of the visitors was emphasized, and time and again raids on their citadel were brought to nought. Both Clarke and Buchanan, backs, played with extreme coolness although there was many a tense moment as Che Kam-hung, Macao's left winger, all but dashed through the opposing defence. The interval arrived with no further score.

Throughout the second session, Macao more than held its own against the tourists. Longman was constantly called upon to clear and did so with sound precision. On the other hand, there was a marked lack of thrust and combination in the play of the opposing forward line, and except for a few occasions, there was no tricky short-passing, but constant fumbling on their approach

Corinthians.—Longman; Clarke, Buchanan, Dance, Whittaker, Wright; Manning, Bradbury, W. Miller, Pearce, J. Miller.

At the after dinner speeches, Mr. Gellion and Gen. de Vera thanked the Corinthians for their visit. Mr. T. Smith, Manager of the Corinthians, suitably replied.—Our Own Correspondent.

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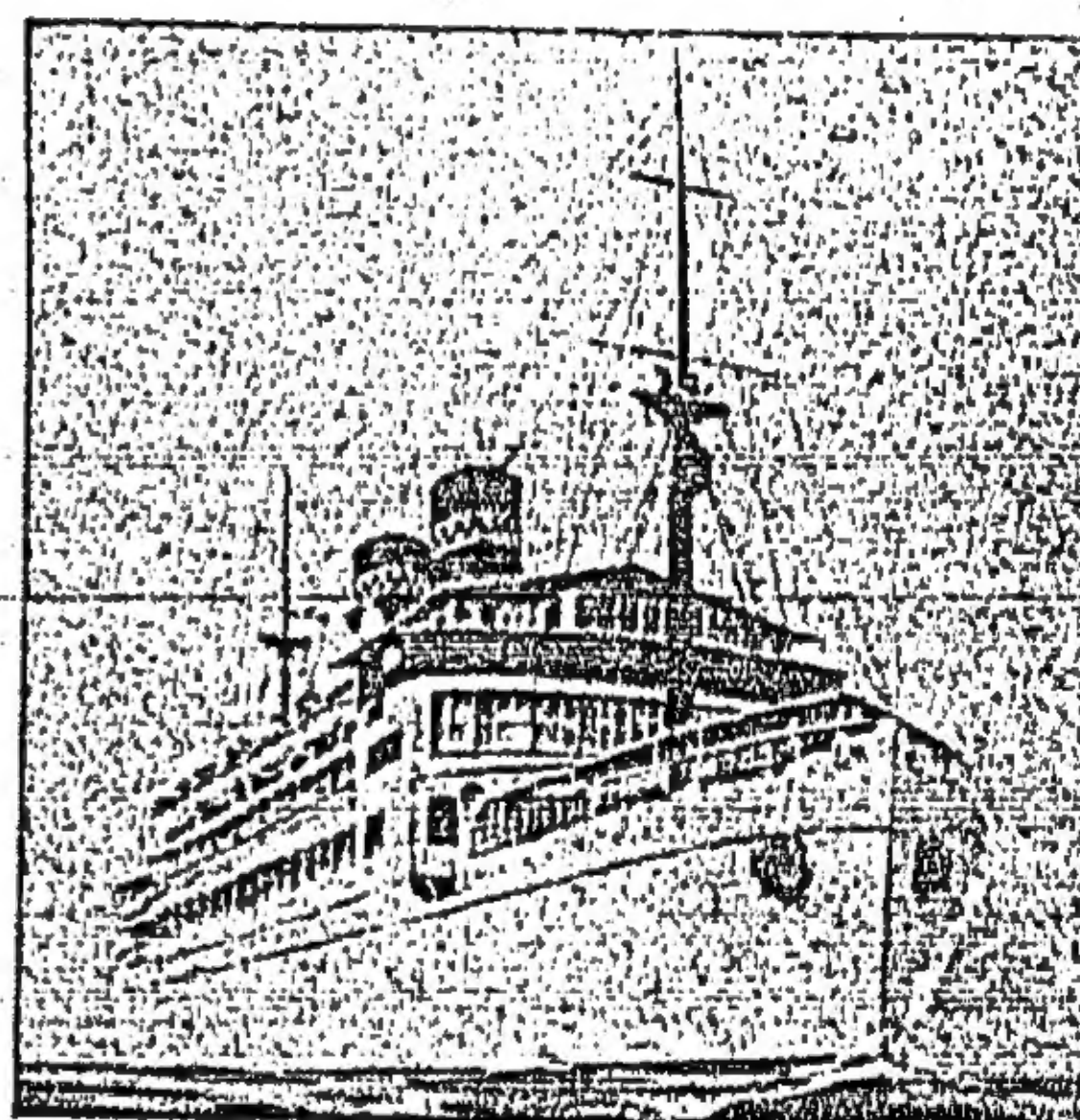
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# If Saint David CAME BACK

I HAVE been asked to state what, in my opinion, St. David would think of the Wales of 1937 if he were allowed to revisit the field of his missionary labours.

Neither I nor anyone else can even make a guess at the answer unless we are first of all told which of the two St. Davids is meant. Whether the rough and simple Briton, who lacked almost every quality valued by the successful Welshman of to-day (and whose virtues would be regarded by our extremely well-behaved generation as rather embarrassing if not positively unbecoming), or that other St. David, who has been evolved from our modern consciousness by annual relays of First of March patriots.

Wales is indeed unfortunate in not possessing a secular figure as its national hero, such as Scotland has in Rob Roy or England in Shakespeare—or, perhaps one ought to say, Mr. Baldwin.

It has not had a good effect on our national character to try, on St. David's Day, to fit our modern secularism into the unyielding frame of primitive Christianity.

How much better would it have been if we could openly extol a rather naughty boy like Robert Burns as our ideal, and have, once a year, at least, a real Saturnalian orgy of national hostility!

But then one remembers England, and finds that this line of speculation is rather unprofitable....

THERE is, I suppose, something to be said for having a saint like St. David rather than a sinner like Burns as a national ideal, and one can at least be thankful that among the many monstrosities which English domination imposed upon Wales in the nineteenth century it did not quite succeed in substituting a politician for a religious reformer as the person to be toasted on the first of March.

It very nearly succeeded; we were only saved from that ultimate calamity by the fortunate fact that Mr. Lloyd George was vigorous enough to survive the wear and tear of the Great War.

If he had died in 1918, we might have borrowed even our national saint from English politics.

But supposing for a moment that our St. David is really that

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**W. J. Gruffydd**

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early ascetic who thought that he had converted Wales to Christianity, what would such a one think and feel if he could visit the Wales of to-day?

He would, I believe, be profoundly shocked, and would probably use his gift of thaumaturgy to blast away from his land and from his people a good many of their leading physical and mental characteristics.

What would he have done about the bombing school in Lley, for the burning of which three of his modern followers are in an English prison?

In all seriousness, I am compelled to say that he, too, would have done what the vast majority of comfortable Welshmen like myself would not have the courage or the conviction to do. In his misplaced zeal he would have burned it to the ground, and would have cursed the people who had allowed it to be erected in their midst.

I AM thoroughly familiar with Rhysyvarch's spirited "Life" of St. David, and I challenge any one of the Imperial patriots who, on innumerable feasts in honour of this ascetic, will wax

eloquent in condemnation of the three patriots now in Wormwood Scrubs, to deny the correctness of my conclusions.

If, further, St. David had learned that the alien-tongued dwellers beyond the Severn had hailed these three from their own courts in Wales into London in order to secure a trial by an alien jury, and had refused to allow them to speak their own language, he would have thought that the history of Samson driven in bonds to Gaza to toil at the mill with slaves would be too weak an analogy.

The possibility of such happenings would be beyond his simple understanding, and he would therefore refuse to believe that life in Wales had become so complex that it was possible for a body of Welshmen like the Council of Swansea University College, to deprive one of Wales' ablest and most devoted sons of his services, just because his duty had called on him to suffer imprisonment for its sake.

It is quite certain that he would have found the whole tangle incomprehensible, and would probably set out on a new mission to try to rekindle one little spark of self-respect in his own flesh and blood.

I imagine that what would most painfully surprise him would be the attitude of that section of the Church which claims to be in the direct succession of the Christianity which he had first introduced into Wales, and which is to-day the legal guardian of the Menevian shrine where his bones are laid.

WITH what incredulity would he learn that the Church in Wales, far from leading and encouraging the Welsh people, fighting with their backs to the wall to preserve their own culture and their own language—the only language that St. David himself knew—were (with the exception of one great-hearted bishop and a mere handful of country parsons) determined to hasten the day when the Saxon yoke should be fixed in complete finality on our native land, and the last vestige of our immemorial culture should have vanished!

He would be told that the Welsh

clerics who are careful that their children should not know the contamination of the Welsh tongue, that these very renegades hold services in Welsh on the first of March in churches where not a word of Welsh is allowed to be heard on the other three hundred and sixty-four days; and would he weep or laugh?

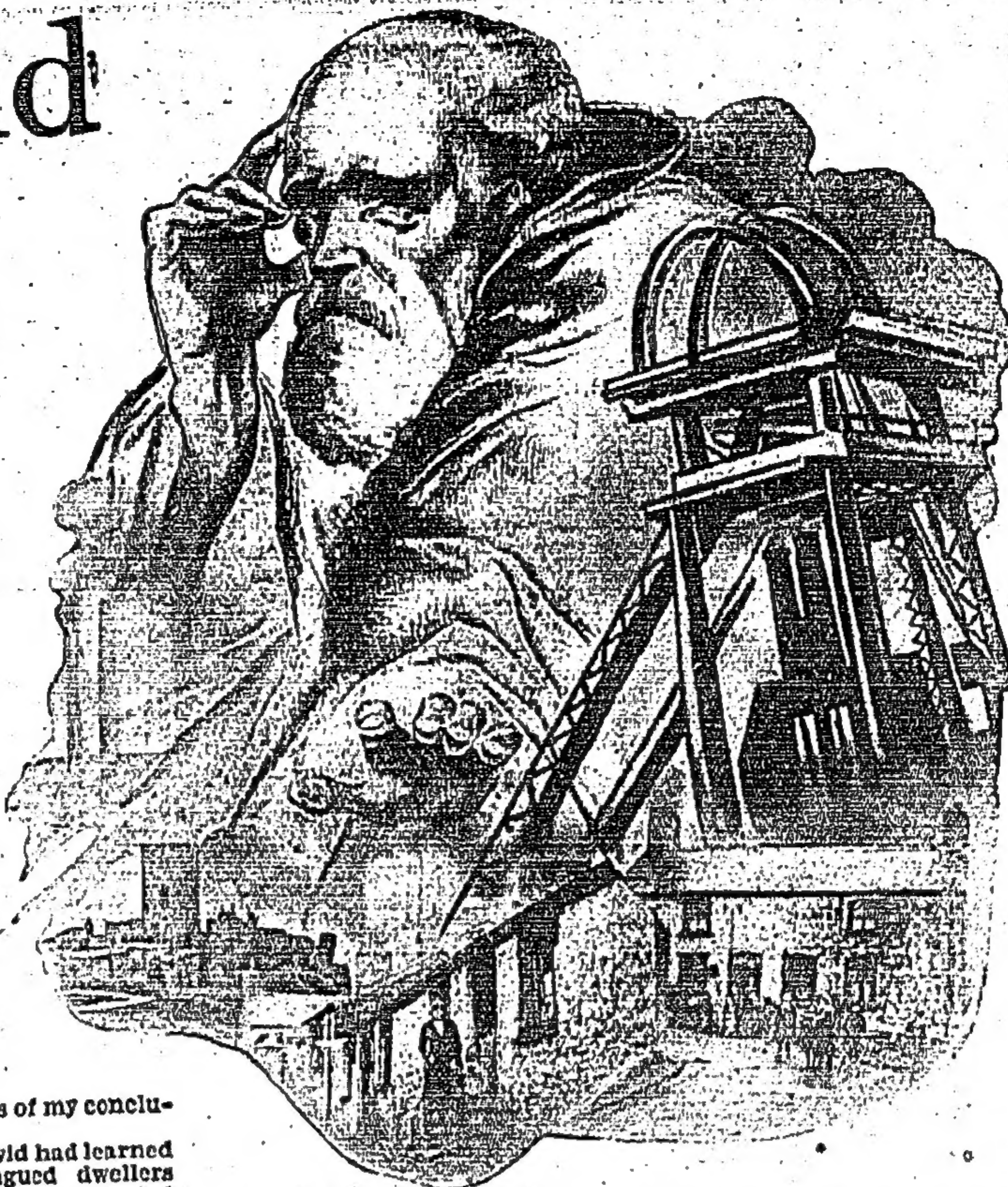
HE would weep, I think, because he would feel that God had sent a plague of universal madness to punish his people. It would not occur to him to laugh at them as hypocrites, because he would be utterly incapable of thinking that a basic quality like national integrity could be a subject for hypocrisy.

This is no mere fancy, and I will put the question to the leaders of the Welsh Church in its simplest and barest form.

If St. David is in reality, as he is symbolically, the guardian saint of Welshmen, do they seriously think that he would for one moment acknowledge them as his successors, and not rather as open and avowed enemies of all that he loved and valued?

The more one thinks of the present condition of Wales, the more surprising it becomes that we should pretend to honour the memory of this saintly monk, while comfortably acquiescing in many of the horrors of that heathen inhumanity which it was his mission to destroy.

This simple Christian would to-day bow his head in shame at the sight of the distressed areas in Wales, and would most certainly start a campaign of prayer and fasting against the cynical and stony-hearted Government which allows such things to be. A Government which even excuses its unconcern by the plea that its first duty is to equip the nation



IMPRESSION BY GLAN WILLIAMS OF HOW ST. DAVID  
WOULD VIEW THE WALES OF TO-DAY.

with means of slaying other Christian men more efficient than those Christian men themselves possess!

While still in the grasp of his bewilderment he would hear, hymned in fervid unison, a great national psalm to a new deity, a psalm of praise to Physical Health rising from the ranks of obese plutocrats to drown the cries of the underfed, the under-clothed, the tubercle-riddled masses of the Welsh Black Areas.

He would look for protectors from the accredited leaders of Wales, and would find only self-satisfaction and smugness.

He would be driven to conclude that his great work of fifteen centuries ago had been in vain and that God was at last chastising the Welsh nation for its hard-heartedness and its obstinate hypocrisy.

Ladies and gentlemen, I give you the toast of "St. David"—to his immortal memory!

—To-day's Thought—  
ANGER wishes all mankind had only one neck; love that it had only one heart. —RICHTER.

ST. DAVID was an austere and a bitter man; if he revisited his native land in 1937, his bitterness would certainly land him in an English prison, and the cathedral church of St. David's would re-echo with denunciations of him.

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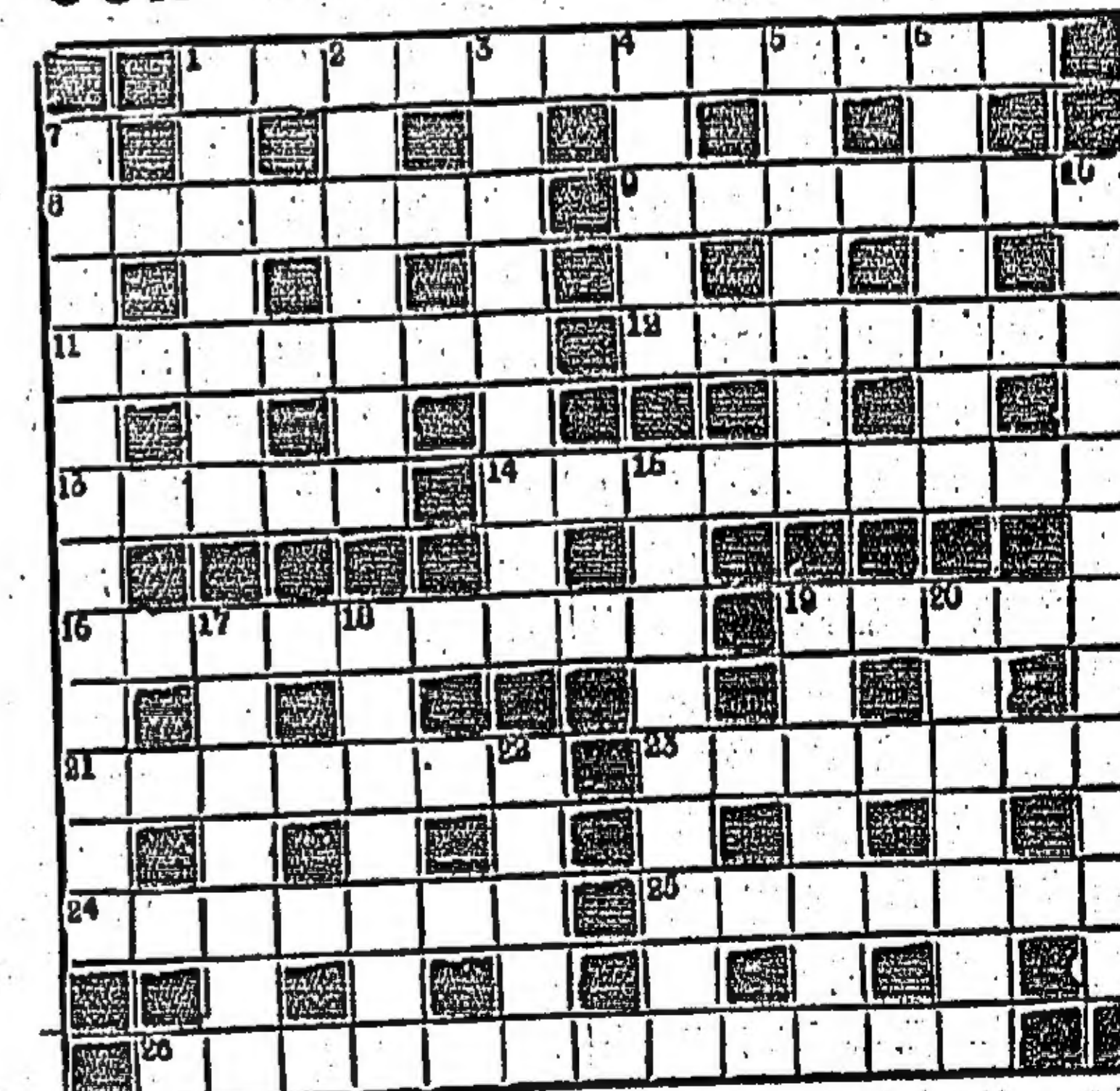
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- 2 What started this sad noise is extinct (7)
- 3 Foretell (7)
- 4 Salter's undersigning change (7)
- 5 Flower (7)
- 6 Apparently unstable mountains (5)
- 7 An addition containing imported dairy produce (9)
- 8 What is wanted is someone to get rid of what is not wanted (9)
- 9 It's a bit thin (5)
- 10 This language has other things in it in Latin (7)
- 11 This African town is nearly all atmosphere and magic (7)
- 12 Olympian (7)
- 13 This usually manages to create interest (7)
- 14 Indifferent, but half remained (12)

DOWN

- 1 Upwards its in pastboard, but is by no means mild (7)
- 2 One may feel this in the French interior (7)
- 3 Important postprandial operation (9)
- 4 One cannot say there is no accounting for this (5)
- 5 Part of it is on a horse, but it is a matter of weight (7)

Correct pigment to depict the sportsman's quarry around the marsh? (7)

Bringing difficulty (12)

Everyone likes sitting on this English town (12)

This history is mostly of long standing (9)

A pantomime character (7)

"Ode in 12" (anag.) (7)

If this dog was naughty would its owner do it? (7)

Snubbed, inside out (7)

A relative (5)

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## CHINESE PEASANTS RESISTING

American Army Officer Tours Northern Area

Hankow, Mar. 1. Captain Evans F. Carlson of Plymouth, Connecticut, attached to the United States Marines, has just returned to Hankow after a 10-weeks trip in territory occupied by the Eighth Route Army, and in the course of which he crossed the Japanese occupied Shihchiachwang and Taiyuan Railway, and made his way through Chinese partisan areas, progressing as far as 150 miles south-west of Peking, travelling mostly on foot.

He said on his return to-day: "I walked 800 miles, rode 100 and travelled 100 by truck, and I felt fine." Captain Carlson stated that 42 districts in Hopei, North Shansi and Chahar were under regular Chinese administration, and the military protection of the Eighth Route Army and Chinese partisans. All were in constant radio communication with the area administration, the centre of which was Wutai-shan, the sacred mountain in North Shansi, and also with the Central Government at Hankow.

Captain Carlson was present at the January 10 congress of district representatives at Wutai-shan, and later he covered a large part of the area, often coming within five and 10 miles of the Japanese lines. He once watched a Japanese train, comprising only the engine which had been left on the Shihchiachwang-Taiyuan line, together with one car, crawling along the track, obliged to the fact that it was close to Chinese troops.

### NOT JAPANESE OCCUPIED

He obtained reliable information that 17 districts in Hopei, between the Peking-Hankow and Tientsin-Fukow railways were still administered by Chinese authorities. One such district was 20 miles south-west of Tientsin. A peasant militia had been organized, and the peasants were occupied in transporting supplies to the wounded and collecting information for the soldiers.

Captain Carlson said the peasants were acutely aware of the Japanese menace, and insisted upon seeing the credentials of all travellers along the roads through the villages, thus making it practically impossible for spies and Japanese agents to get through. Under these conditions it might be said that large parts of Hopei and the majority of Shansi was not occupied by Japanese at all. The practical effects of the Japanese occupation was felt only along the railways and the trunk roads.

Captain Carlson arrived at Hankow with a jacket lined with soft sheep's fur, a present from Eighth Route Army soldiers who captured it from the Japanese. The Chinese soldiers were at first reluctant to allow him to proceed to the Japanese rear, but finally permitted him to do so after he had signed a document absolving them from all responsibility in the case of misadventure.—United Press.

## Many Britons Make Claims Against Japan

Consulate-General Assists Those Who Suffered Looting

London, Feb. 28. Asked by Mr. Will Thorne (Lab.) for information as to the extent of looting of British goods in Shanghai, and the value of British cargo removed from British warehouses, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons to-day, said 102 claims in respect to looting and damage to property had been notified up to December 31. Nine of these claims had been prepared and transmitted by the British Consul-General to the Japanese Consul-General.

It would be appreciated that most of the claimants had not yet been able to formulate their claims, and had only communicated preliminary statements to the Consul-General, where assistance was being given in drawing them up.

In view of the difficulty of ascertaining the value of property detailed figures of a large proportion of the losses were not yet available at the British Consul-General.—Reuter.

## SOVIET ALLEGED JAPANESE PLANES CROSSED BORDER

Moscow, Mar. 1. The alleged Japanese report that Soviet aircraft had crossed the Manchurian frontier on February 26 and 27, is denied in official quarters, who allege that on those dates, three Japanese flights over Soviet territory occurred. One penetrated for five miles across the frontier.

It is added that the Japanese machines retreated hurriedly after Soviet fighters had taken off to investigate.—Reuter.

## BRITAIN'S CLOSE WATCH ON EUROPE

Not Worried By New Austro-German Agreement

London, Feb. 28. The Prime Minister answering a House of Commons question, said it was at present impossible for His Majesty's Government to estimate the real effect of the Austro-German agreement of February 12, but they were continuing to follow developments with close attention. They had noted with great interest the speech delivered by Herr von Schuschnigg last Thursday.

Mr. Chamberlain added that the measures so far taken by the Austrian Government in consequence of the discussions at Berchtesgaden did not appear, in the opinion of His Majesty's Government to constitute a breach of the obligations which Austria undertook in the treaty of St. Germain, and the Geneva Protocol of 1922, and it did not appear therefore, that any action on the part of His Majesty's Government was called for on that account in the existing circumstances.

The Prime Minister was asked if it was the intention of the Government to work, by all possible means, for the establishment of the League of Nations as it was originally envisaged. He said, as he had informed the House last Wednesday, it was hoped of the Government to see the League reconstituted in such a form, and on such a basis of membership, as might enable it to rely upon being able to use its powers for the functions for which it was originally intended. The Government would do all in its power to bring about such a state of affairs.—British Wireless.

## SENATE PASSES HUGE RELIEF BILL

Washington, Feb. 28. The Senate to-day approved the House of Representatives version of the \$250,000,000 Deficiency Relief Bill.—United Press.

## STOP PRESS

## NEW FEATURES OF LATEST BRITISH BATTLESHIPS

Torpedoes are to be abolished as an item of armament in British capital ships, according to the Daily Telegraph naval correspondent, who adds that this reform has long been urged by the majority of naval officers, who regard torpedoes as a useless encumbrance in warships above the cruiser category.

"The first British battleships to be designed without torpedo armament are five vessels of the King George V Class, which are now being built. Torpedo tubes are being removed from older ships as they are refit. The torpedo, however, is still considered a very potent weapon in smaller craft, and where before our pre-war destroyers were mounted with only four tubes, the latest British vessels have ten. The newest American destroyers carry the record number of 16," adds the correspondent.

The Telegraph also states that a two-tonner pom-pom gun, capable of firing 100 rounds a minute has produced an answer to the menace of swiftly-diving or gliding and low-flying enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

## JAPANESE EXPELLED BY FRENCH

Forced To Leave Concession After Truculent Demands

Shanghai, Mar. 1. A platoon of French Concession police yesterday forced a small group of Japanese military police, who had entered the compound of the French Consulate on French Bund, in truculent mood, to leave the premises. The Japanese demanded to see the French Consul-General, and said that if he did not receive them they would seal the American Trading Company's warehouse, as had been done before. The Consul-General refused to receive them. Instead the French police were called, and they ushered the Japanese out of the compound, and escorted them to boundary of the French Concession and the International Settlement, about 100 yards away.

Meanwhile the Japanese authorities have removed the seals from the Commercial Express and Storage Company's warehouse, following a strongly-worded protest by the American Consul-General.—Reuter.

## U.S. Unable To Defend Philippines

Congress May Want Orient Withdrawal

Influential members of the Naval Committee to-day urged that a possible proposal to extend the independence issue in the Philippines might encounter vigorous opposition in Congress as well as the Navy and War Departments. They said that the testimony of Admiral Leahy who said, in effect, that the United States fleet, even with a 20 per cent. increase, could not defend the Islands against an Asiatic Power.

They were of the opinion that Admiral Leahy plainly inferred that any attempt to defend the Philippines would be "suicidal" as it would involve dividing the fleet, and such action was contrary to all maxims of fact that if it was a matter of national honour, some attempt would probably be made to prevent an enemy from capturing the Philippines, but in all probability the effort would be futile, and would probably cost thousands of lives.

### GENERALS TESTIFY

Meanwhile the testimony of retired Generals before the committee regarding expansion of the naval building programme left the impression that in the event of war, they regarded it impossible to defend the Philippines, and they were apparently desirous of withdrawing from the Orient.

Committeemen are of the opinion that the military and naval experts' testimony is certain to influence congressional consideration of future proposals in dealing with the Philippines political status, and would probably result in an overwhelming sentiment in favour of abandoning extended responsibilities in the Orient. However, there are intangible factors, including President Roosevelt's popularity which might swing support to such a programme.

### "WE COVERED EVERYTHING"

Regarding his White House conference, Mr. Paul McNutt, Philippines High Commissioner said to-day: "We covered everything of any interest in connection with the Philippines and their relations with the United States. We reached a number of conclusions, but I do not expect there will be any statements from White House regarding them for some time."

He said that he told President Roosevelt that progress was being made towards the alleviation of the complaints of American businessmen in the Philippines of double taxation, and said that Treasury officials had promised they would study means of removing the unequal tax burdens on Americans in the Philippines.

He said he had planned to confer with other Government officials, after which he would have a final conference with President Roosevelt. He planned to return to Manila in a fortnight.

## GERMAN ADVISERS TO REMAIN IN CHINA

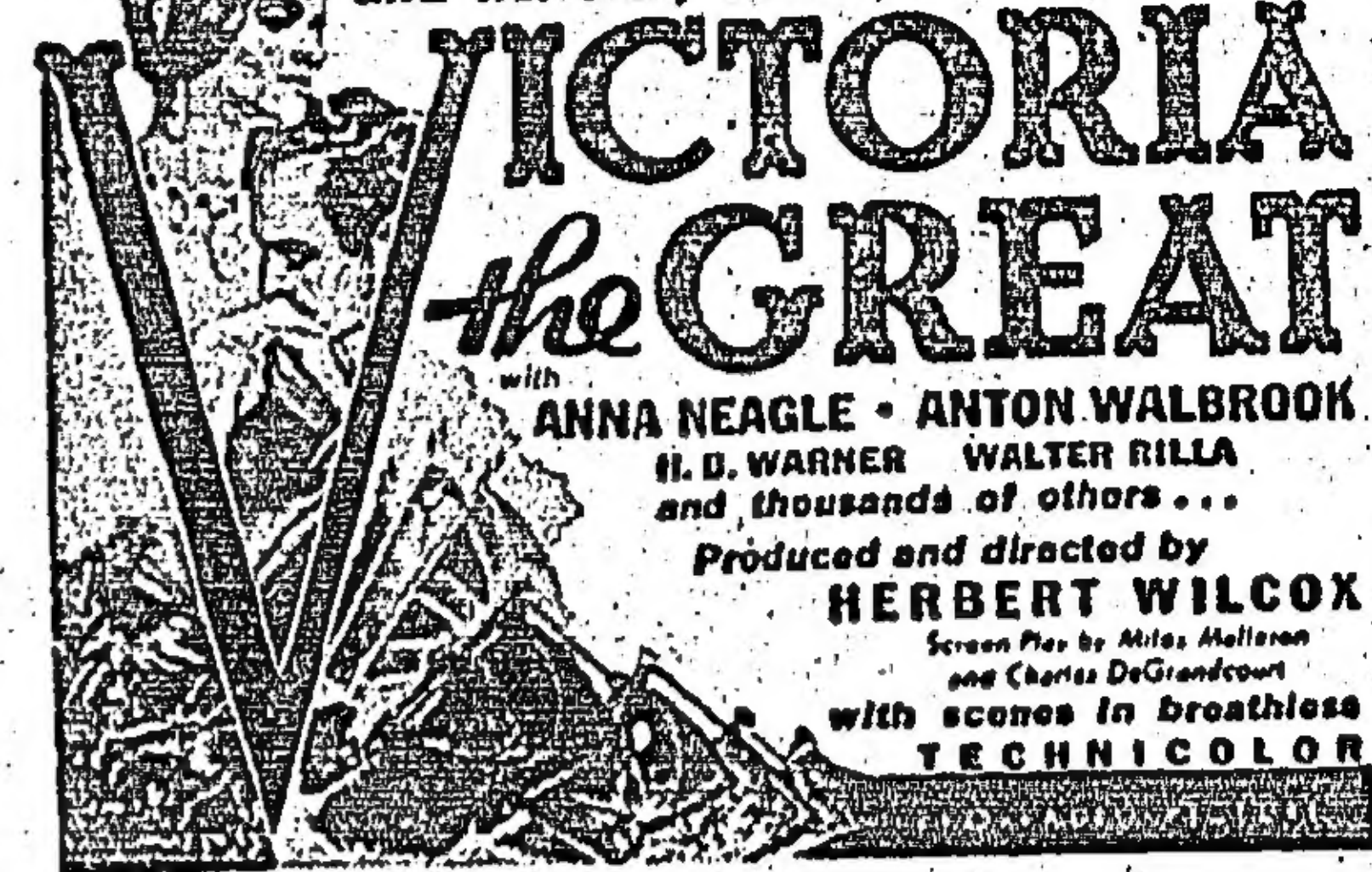
Shanghai, Mar. 1. Despite Germany's recognition of Manchukuo, German advisers with the Chinese army are continuing to serve, according to Chinese reports, which add that the advisers are pledged to remain true friends of China, and not to leave the country.—Reuter.

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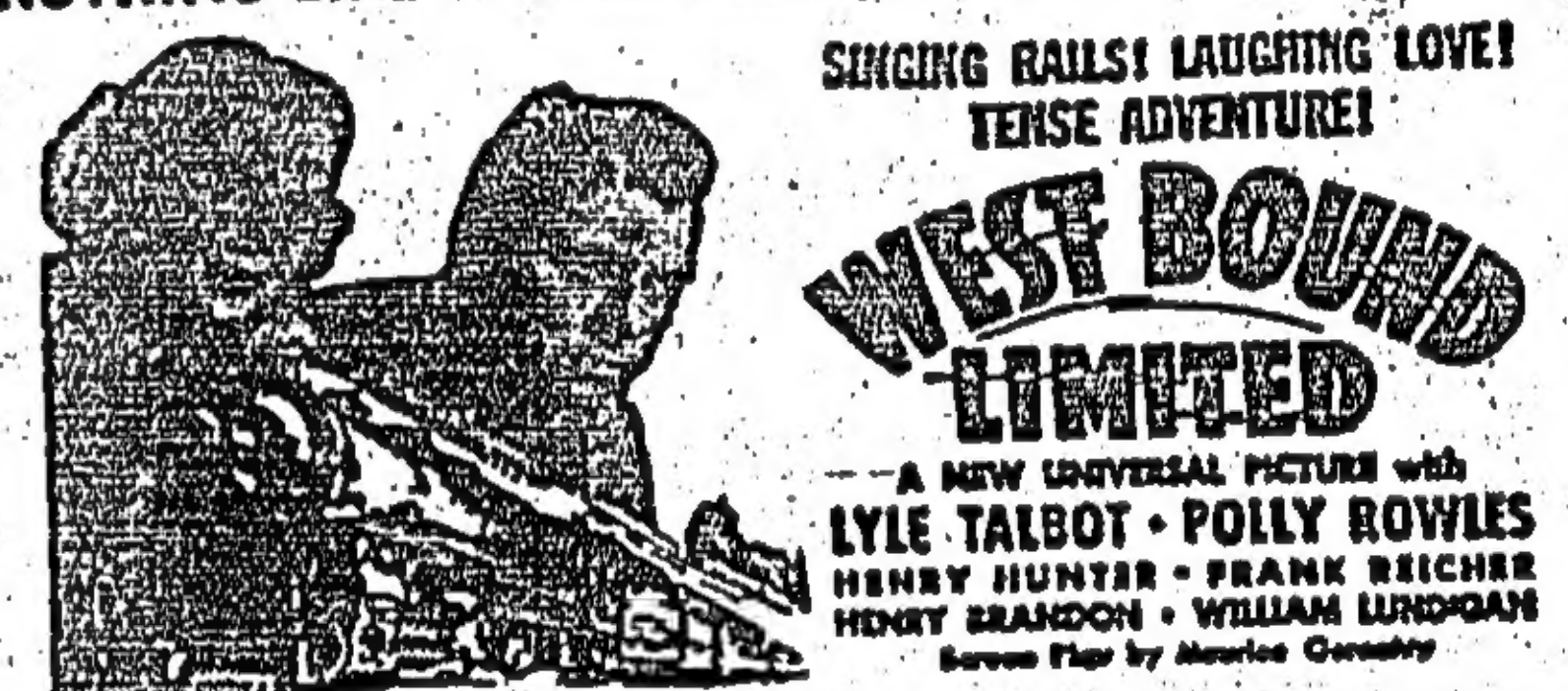
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## Corinthians' Amateur Status Canard

Hongkong Rumours Threaten Game To-morrow

(By "Abe")

The greatest indignation is being felt by the Islington Corinthian footballers over certain rumours which have been circulated in the Colony regarding their proposed match with the combined Hongkong F.C. and Police teams to-morrow afternoon.

Rumours are to the effect that the "gate" from this match is going to the team—an allegation which is strongly resented by the players who strongly feel that it implies a definite query regarding their amateur status.

It is stressed that the proceeds from the game, if it is played, will be used for the benefit of the Islington Corinthian Club, and not for the members of the team.

The sooner these stupid rumours are squashed the better. Since leaving England last year, the Islington Corinthians have travelled thousands of miles to show the world the highest standard of amateur football as played at home. They have been received with open arms everywhere, and never has there been any question of their status as amateurs.

It is a great pity that this sort of talk should start in Hongkong. Although officially the Islington Corinthians are the guests of the South China A.A. in the Colony, they are in a way the guests of local football as well. Shame on those who thus cast a slur on our visitors! Mr. Tom Smith, the manager of the

## SEA LORD TO ATTEND FLEET EXERCISES

London, Feb. 28. Lord Chatfield, First Sea Lord, leaves England on March 9 to attend the annual spring exercises of the combined fleets of Gibraltar. He will return on March 24.—British Wireless.

## THIRPATTIE TALKS ON ESCALATOR CLAUSE

London, Feb. 28. It is understood negotiations between the United States, Britain and France concerning the escalator clause in respect to naval building, will be held on Tuesday.—United Press.

## DELATED HONOUR TO NEWSMAN

Shirley, Me. Forty-one years after his death, a tablet has been dedicated to Edgar Wilson (Bill) Nye, country newspaperman who was the Will Rogers of his day.

touring team, was equally as indignant as the players this morning. Some would have been expected as to whether to-morrow's fixture will be fulfilled, but Mr. E. L. Strange, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong F.C., stated quite definitely this afternoon that the match will be played as originally arranged.

The members of the Islington Corinthian team feel that if the Hongkong public believes these rumours, it would be better for the match to be cancelled. But "Pat" Clark, the team captain, said that nothing had yet been decided.

NOT LEAVING BY CLIPPER  
Owing to the delay of the China Clipper, the Islington Corinthians will not be leaving Hongkong for Manila by air on Thursday. They will go by steamer on Saturday and will arrive in Manila on Monday.

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